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Gen. Burnside's Corps on the Move Last Thursday.

On the Heights, near Stafford Court-house, Thursday, Dec. 4, 1862.

Last evening, the order for striking tents and marching came, and at sunrise Gen. Sumner's command, consisting of ——— men, was on the move. Our fellowship is in a southerly course, which will undoubtedly be made known by the Government authorities on this endless war. The day is beautiful, and like unto the best of spring. Many of them disliked to leave the warm quarters which they had been some time constructing, but all are elated with the prospect of moving southward. Gen. ——— and staff rode on the head of the van. Just before the order came for marching, arrangements were being made to picket more strongly our extreme left, in anticipation of its being turned by bands of rebel Cavalry, who are operating in our rear. J.

Falmouth, Opposite Fredericksburg, Dec. 6.

In the signs of the times are rightly read by us we are on the eve of important and stirring events. Before another Saturday rolls round our army will be on the other side of the Rappahannock, or flying in headlong retreat toward the Potomac. The enemy appear to have decided that Fredericksburgh equidistant from the National and rebel Capitals, shall be the battle-ground whereon is to be decided the fate of the latter. During the week they have daily strengthened their works, and are continuing to bring in supplies, guns and men, from Richmond and other points. Meantime, our own army have not been idle. Every nerve is being strained to render the result of the impending conflict doubly sure. Of the immediate movements taking place I am not for the present permitted to speak.

Yesterday afternoon a snow-storm set in, and by 6 o'clock several inches had fallen. This, however, will not delay operations. J.

GEN. SUMNER'S DIVISION.

The Visit of Gen. Burnside to Washington—The Earthworks on Both Sides of the River—The Gunboats—Capture of a Rebel Spy, &c.

Falmouth, Opposite Fredericksburg, Monday Evening, Dec. 1, 1862.

Gen. Burnside returned from Washington, by way of Aquia Creek, yesterday afternoon. His absence gave rise to various camp rumors, one of which was to the effect that he had been superseded by Gen. Hooker. No importance can be attached to the flying visits which the President or his Generals make from time to time, owing, as they doubtless do, from a desire for a consultation or the transaction of business, which cannot be done conveniently by telegraph.

At daybreak yesterday appeared in plain sight the earthworks which we knew the enemy to be working upon during the night previous. They increased the number to about twenty or more, each one sufficiently large to protect from two to five guns. Our own troops, commenced on Saturday evening, were completed yesterday. They consist of about a dozen embrasures, beginning near the Lacey Mansion on the right, and extending about a mile down the banks of the river. The first three protect a battery belonging to the Fourth Regulars, which is so planted as to sweep the streets leading up from Fredericksburgh to the rebel encampments, and therefore beat back those who may be sent down to oppose our crossing. Capt. Rosser's Battery, of Flushing, Long Island, is planted behind the centre works. Those to the extreme left protect guns of — calibre. Gens. Sumner and Willcox rode out yesterday morning to inspect them. On reaching those in the centre, the former remarked, "These are well done, well done." Sixteen cords of wood close were consumed in building them, twelve of which were cut after dark Saturday evening. Compactness, and important essential, I observe has not been overlooked in their structure. Embrasures loosely built are worse than none at all, for the damage in such cases from flying dirt and gravel exceeds that where no obstacle intervenes between the enemy's balls. I have spent the greater portion of the day in scrutinizing the *enemy's operations* with a powerful glass, and riding down the river bank for several miles. Their pickets extend down the river for some distance below the city. Guards are also given to the farmers stationed along the bank, who act unfrequently converse with the Nationals, stationed for like purposes, on the opposite shore. A few nights [illegible] from an officer rode down to the picket's edge, and saluting a member of the Eighth Regular Infantry, who is one of two guarding the residence of Dr. Mossman across two miles below here, he inquired if the soldier knew a person in the Second New-Hampshire, with whom he had been on intimate terms in Boston, Mass. He wished to know further whether the Colonel of the Thirteenth Massachusetts, "with whom he had been raised, was yet alive. The first question generally put by the rebels in these unnatural interviews, is "How many men have you got?" Last evening one remarked that they were expecting heavy reinforcements up from Richmond; a second requested the privilege of crossing the river and purchasing a pair of shoes, for the need of which very many were suffering; a third thought it much better that pickets should observe with than be shooting each other.

Though but few tents can be seen, the smoke from rebel camp fires is visible for several miles below Fredericksburgh, arising from out the forests which lie but a few rods from the river. Occasionally a cavalryman rides down into the city, but their forces are mostly kept out of sight. Indeed, were it not for the pickets pacing to and fro on the river bank, the formidable earthworks in the rear, and wreaths of smoke continually rising from the works, one could hardly believe that a large body of the enemy were so near us. Last night, however, we discovered a review of about three thousand troops in the fields to the left of the city. The firing of artillery about the same time, which occasioned considerable curiosity on our part, proves to have been from rebel guns. They were possibly some new ones received from below, and were being tried. The cars have ceased to come to the city, but stop at a farm-house about two miles the other side. I could hear the whistle yesterday of various engines as they came or left for Richmond. Four gunboats have ascended the Rappahannock to within seven miles of Fredericksburgh. Were the water deep enough for them to come still nearer to the city, it would be imprudent to do so, owing to the narrowness of the river and high, steep bluffs which would afford excellent facilities for rebel sharpshooters.

A rebel spy was detected in Gen. Pleasanton's camp on Saturday. He is to be tried, and will undoubtedly swing, unless the President shall step in, as he has so frequently done, and pardon the condemned.

Prof. Low has arrived with an entirely new set of balloon apparatus, and an ascension is to be made in a day or two. A telegram received here to-day announces that Brig.-Gen. Reynolds has been made a Major-General, and Col. Hazard a Brigadier. Yesterday Gen. Hunt, Chief of Artillery, reviewed several batteries, and to-morrow a grand review of Gen. Sumner's Division is to take place. A portion of Gen. Sumner's command have commenced building Winter huts, in accordance, it is said, with directions from headquarters. The appearance of five fresh made graves near the roadside leading to headquarters indicates that disease has accomplished what the balls of the enemy failed to do. They contain the remains of Corporal C. A. Stapler, Company G, Twenty-first Connecticut; J. M. Blackner, Company D, died Nov. 25; C. F. Bacon, Company H, died Nov. 27, aged forty-eight years; Sergt. Nathan P. Parker, Company I, Twentieth Michigan, died Dec. 1, of intermittent fever; Albert C. Foster, Company B, Eleventh Connecticut, died Nov. 22.

GEN. HOOKER'S DIVISION.

Rumors—Prospective Operations—Speculations as to the Position of the Rebel Army—Cold Weather.

Grand Crevia Division, Army of the Potomac, Wednesday, Dec. 3, 1862.

Rumors, exaggerating and conflicting, in regard to the future movements of the army have been freely circulated to-day. Not only have field and line officers indulged in conjecture and speculation, but the rank and file generally have also had a say as to the extent and nature of prospective operations. Of course each one has a right to form his own opinion, and if by so doing he can contribute to self-gratification, the world cannot reasonably take offence. But amid all the confusion of different theories, the prominent impression is that a change of position will soon take place. Whether the anticipated change will result in something great or terrific is a matter that cannot be definitely decided upon at this stage of events, but we have grounds for entertaining the belief that the movement, of whatever nature it partakes, will probably disconcert, if not greatly perplex our rebel foe on the opposite side of the river. For days past the rebels have been throwing up earthworks, evidently with the view of giving us to understand that they are strongly intrenched on the other side. Possibly they may be there in strong force; and then, again, it may have occurred to them that perhaps Richmond should be better protected, and acting upon their fears, the larger portion of the rebel army may have returned to their capital. Among us there is a divided opinion as to the whereabouts of the main rebel army. Some place it three miles in the rear of Fredericksburgh, others at Bowling Green, and still another class think, without doubt, that it is well advanced toward Richmond. We can rest assured, however, that its precise locality will be ascertained at about the time our troops take up the line of march.

In our present position, we are prepared either to act upon the defence or to institute an attack. Before the beginning of another week, we shall probably have changed our position, in which case an entirely new programme will be followed.

Thursday Morning.

Last night was the coldest we have experienced this season. This morning the ground is covered with a heavy frost, and many a poor soldier complains that his present supply of blankets is inadequate for protection against the severe weather.

Within the past twenty-four hours, nothing of importance or interest has transpired. WHIT.

GEN. FRANKLIN'S DIVISION.

No Change in the Position of the Left Grand Division—Gen. Pratt—The Paymaster, &c.

Stafford Court-house, Va., Wednesday, Dec. 3, 1862.

No change has occurred in the position of the Left Grand Division of the army since my last letter. What to-morrow or the day following, however, may bring forth it is not for me to say. Gen. Franklin's headquarters remain in their former position, while his corps proper is encamped along the telegraph road to Alexandria, stretching out for some four miles. Gen. Pratt's Brigade, of Smith's Division, occupies the extreme left. The General's quarters are located in a small clearing to the right of the road close by the edge of a woody declivity, from which the soldiers are busily employed to-day in obtaining firewood. Gen. Pratt is, as you are aware, a citizen of Brooklyn, raised a regiment at the outset of the rebellion and was promoted prior to the battle of Antietam for "distinguished bravery" in the battles of the Peninsula. Adjutant Kerr, of his staff, was, until the commencement of the war, one of the editors of the Worcester *Bay State*.

Gen. John Newton, of Norfolk, Va., commander of a division, in this corps, has just been promoted to a Major General; also, Col. David A. Russell, of the Seventh ———, Col. Fraser Webster, Second Rhode Island, and Col. Neill, Twenty-third Pennsylvania, to be Brigadiers. Capt. McMorris, of the Forty-third New-York, has resigned. The appearance of Major Lane, the Paymaster, has occasioned much joy. None of the men have been paid for a less time than four months; many of them have not received a cent for five or six. Yet there has been no such discontent as a correspondent of one of your contemporaries pictured; on the contrary, the men remembering that entire regiments in the rebel service have received no compensation since the outbreak of the war, have been disposed to bide the Government's time.

Detachments from various commands are daily employed in repairing the roads which have become very bad, owing to frequent rains and the transportation of the necessary supplies for so large a body of men. Several miles of "corduroy" have been constructed by many of the regiments here, improving the two weeks spent here, in building snug log quarters which they will be very lothe to leave, should the order come for moving forward. Yesterday morning the First Massachusetts and Twenty-sixth Infantry Regiment passed through this place from Union Mills *en route* for Gen. Hooker's command, to which they belong. The telegraph wires in this vicinity have been cut several times recently, but through the indefatigability of the managers, communication has been very soon restored. A squadron of the Third Pennsylvania have started out to-night with three days' rations for the purpose of scouring the country in the neighborhood of Heartwood Church, and endeavor to beg some of the rebels in return for the loss of their 100 comrades who were unmercifully gobbled up a few days since.

LETTER FROM BURK'S STATION.

More of Our Cavalry Surprised on Picket Duty, &c.

Burk's Station, Va., Thursday, Dec. 4, 1862.

On Tuesday night, Lieut. Hoffman, of Company F, First New-Jersey Cavalry, and six of his men, were surprised while on picket duty, about three miles from Dumfries. They made a spirited but unsuccessful resistance to the rebel cavalry who suddenly came upon them. Private Thomas Dunfin was badly wounded. There were detachments from several other regiments performing picket duty in the vicinity at the time, in the following order: First Pennsylvania on the right, Harris Light Cavalry, First New-Jersey, First Pennsylvania, Second New-York, First Massachusetts and Tenth New-York. The capture of this small force gave rise to various rumors through the camp yesterday, which grew in size as the day advanced. By night, the number of captured men had increased to one hundred and fifty. Orders arrived here last night for striking tents and moving forward, but they were countermanded this morning. The railroad passing through here from Aquia Creek to Falmouth continues to be strongly guarded. Five trains run daily each way.

THE WAR IN ARKANSAS.

Heavy Skirmishing at Cane Hill.

Gen. Blunt Attacked by Gens. Hindman and Marmaduke with 25,000 Men.

THE REBELS DRIVEN BACK.

St. Louis, Sunday, Dec. 7.

Advices from the Southwest, to-night, say that the rebels, under Gens. Hindman and Marmaduke, 25,000 strong, attempted to force Gen. Blunt's position at Cane Hill, Ark., yesterday, but were driven back.

This morning the rebels drove Gen. Blunt's pickets three miles, but on the arrival of reinforcements the rebels were again driven back.

The opinion of Gen. Blunt is that the demonstration of the rebels was made to cover their retreat, as they were felling timber all night, probably to obstruct the road and prevent pursuit. Gen. Blunt's forces have held the rebels in check for four days. Gen. Herron's command will reinforce him to-morrow.

FROM FORTRESS MONROE.

Fortress Monroe, Saturday, Dec. 6.

Twenty rebel prisoners arrived here, to-day, from Suffolk, and forty contrabands.

The flag of truce steamboat *New-York*, in charge of Capt. John E. Mulford, Third New-York Regiment, arrived this afternoon from City Point, but brings no passengers.

Municipal Elections in Massachusetts.

Boston, Monday, Dec. 8.

Frederick W. Lincoln, Republican, was elected Mayor of Boston to-day by over 1,300 plurality. The following was the vote: Lincoln, 6,395; Wightman, 5,174. The Lincoln ticket for Aldermen, composed of Republicans and Democrats, was also elected.

In Worcester, D. W. Lincoln, Citizens' candidate, was elected Mayor by about 300 plurality.

Navigation of the Hudson River.

Albany, Monday, Dec. 8.

We understand that all the tows which left here on Saturday, for New-York, got through.

There are now here about one hundred and eighty boats and barges, on which there are 280,100 bushels of corn; 80,400 bushels of barley; 196,800 bushels of wheat, and 167,100 bushels of oats, besides flour, peas, lumber, staves, etc.

The name of each boat, with a description of her cargo, will appear in this evening's *Statesman*.

Besides the above there are about sixty Kingston boats and other lumber-barges here, and about sixty boats at West Troy.

The weather is still very cold, and there are no signs of the ice in the river breaking up.

Large Fire at Lockhaven, Penn.

LOSS FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS.

Williamsport, Penn., Monday, Dec. 8.

The fire at Lockhaven, on Saturday, originated in a carpenter's shop in the rear of Scull's Hall.

Before the flames were checked the entire business portion of the town was destroyed, including the Lockhaven Bank, the Clinton House, and a large number of other valuable buildings.

The Fulton House, Barker's Hotel and the bridge over the river were saved.

The loss is estimated at $400,000.

Weather at Montreal.

Montreal, Monday, Dec. 8.

We had a severe snow-storm on Saturday.

To-day the weather is cold and clear. Wind northwest. The thermometer, at 8 A. M., stood at two degrees above zero.

Death of Gen. Churchill.

Washington, Monday, Dec. 8.

Gen. Churchill, of the U. S. Army, late Inspector-General, died here last night, in the 56th year of his age.

IMPORTANT FROM THE SOUTH.

Affairs in the Neighborhood of Fredericksburgh.

A Battle Considered Imminent by the Rebels.

Where they think the Blow will Fall.

Movements Threatened from Newbern and Suffolk.

Large Naval Expedition Sailed from Hilton Head.

The following items are taken from the Richmond papers of Saturday:

The Richmond *Dispatch* says that the reports from Fredericksburgh yesterday were that pretty severe skirmishing occurred in the neighborhood of Port Royal yesterday morning, but with what success could not be learned. The general aspect of affairs is represented to be such as to indicate a battle. The columns of the enemy have been moved to the front, and much activity is observable along their lines.

The Richmond *Dispatch* also says that the Yankees at Suffolk were last week reinforced by one full brigade and a battery of field artillery. The Yankee forces at Suffolk and in its vicinity are now estimated at thirty thousand, by their own men, who state that this force is to move against Petersburgh, while the force at Newbern, N. C., is to operate simultaneously against Weldon.

General Walker telegraphs from Pocotaligo that a fleet of twenty Federal vessels sailed from Hilton Head on Friday last. Georgetown or Wilmington, N. C., is the point aimed at. Our troops everywhere were put under marching orders, to be ready for a move at the shortest notice. Several large vessels passed Charleston harbor on Sunday going Southward. It is thought they have gone to aid the Gulf Squadron in an attack on Mobile. Five additional vessels were off Charleston bar on Sunday, and six blockaders off Stono Point.

EXTRACTS FROM THE RICHMOND DISPATCH.

Fortress Monroe, Sunday, Dec. 7.

The Richmond *Dispatch*, of Dec. 16, has the following items:

—The reports from Fredericksburgh yesterday are important. It is stated that Burnside is superseded in command of the Yankee forces, and that "fighting Joe Hooker" has taken his place. Burnside will have no cause to regret this change if the Radicals insist upon an early advance.

—A dispatch received yesterday, states that the Partisan Rangers of Col. Imboden had a skirmish with the enemy near New-Creek, in Hampshire County, a few days ago, in which Brig.-Gen. M. L. Ross, of the Federal force, was killed. No other particulars.

—The Pincastle *Express* learns from a gentleman from Lewisburgh, that one day last week, through the carelessness of our scouts, the Yankees captured one hundred and five of our cavalry, as many horses, and destroyed he camp equipage of the forces arrested.

—A shop used by Mr. Thompson for the manufacture of sabres, in Columbus, Ga., was burnt on Sunday.

—We have seen a new manufacture of socks, made of cotton and cow-hair. They are soft and durable, and possess the advantages of not wetting easily.

—A schooner, trying to run the blockade, ran ashore this morning, on Smith's Island, six miles south of Fort Fisher. A company from Fort Fisher has gone to her assistance. One of the blockaders ran out of sight at 8 o'clock this morning, and returned at 10½ with a schooner.

—An Abolitionist named Welles, believed to be some relation of the Lincoln Secretary of the Navy, died of typhoid fever at the Libby Prison, on Tuesday, being the first Yankee who had "passed out, for over a month, in the regular way."

—Three inmates of Castle Thunder were afflicted with the strapado, yesterday, to the extend of a dozen lashes each, for robbing, and knocking out a man's eye.

EXTRACTS FROM THE RICHMOND ENQUIRER.

The Richmond *Enquirer* of the 3d has the following:

—Two deserters just in from Washington, report an Abolition fleet at Newbern, and that Wilmington is to be attacked this week.

—The report of a skirmish at Coal Creek is unfounded.

—Cliff's renegade regiment is devastating Morgan County, Ky.

The following resolutions unanimously passed the House of Commons of North Carolina on Thursday last:

Resolved, That the Confederate States have the means and the will to sustain and perpetuate the Government they have established, and to that end North Carolina is determined to contribute all of her power and resources.

Resolved, That the separation between the Confederate States and the United States is final, and that the people of North Carolina will never consent to reunion at any time or upon any terms.

Resolved, That we have full confidence in the ability and patriotism of His Excellency, President Davis, and that his Administration is entitled to the cordial support of all patriotic citizens.

Resolved, That we heartily approve of the policy for the conduct of the war, set forth by His Excellency, Gov. Vance, in his inaugural address and message to the General Assembly, and that he ought to be unanimously supported in the manly and patriotic stand he has taken for our independence.

AFFAIRS IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Gen. Banks Nominated for the Next Presidency by the Union Troops of the State—The Rebel Papers Speculating about the Banks Expedition, &c.

Morehead City, N. C., Wednesday, Dec. 3.

The United States steamer *Guide* leaves for the City of Baltimore to-morrow.

At Beaufort, on the 2d inst., Major-Gen. N. P. Banks was nominated for the next Presidency by the Eastern North Carolina Free Labor Association at a large and enthusiastic meeting in the Court-house.

Meetings to ratify this nomination are to be held by various local political associations at different points.

The native North Carolina Union troops, who belong to the organization, strenuously insist upon the vigorous and prompt enforcement of the Confiscation and Emancipation acts passed by the last Congress.

The Gen. Banks' "Texas Expedition" is the theme of considerable comment in Southern papers recently received here.

Newbern, N. C., Monday, Dec. 1, *Via* Fort Monroe, Sunday, Dec. 7.

In consequence of the strong opposition of the Free Labor Party in Eastern North Carolina, no election will be ordered for Representatives to the Thirty-seventh Congress from this State. Politicos, however, are in circulation for an early election to the next Congress.

It has been discovered that it is the intention of the rebels to abandon immediately all that portion of North Carolina, lying eastward of the Weldon and Wilmington Railroad.

The health of our officers and men continues remarkably good.

The yellow fever at Wilmington is slowly abating.

A large Free Labor and Union meeting was held at Shepardsville, Nov. 29. It was addressed by Hon. C. H. Foster.

THE COURT-MARTIAL OF GEN. PORTER.

Cross-Examination of Gen. Pope.

Washington, Dec. 6.

The cross-examination of Major-General Pope was resumed by the counsel for Major-General Porter, Hon. Reverdy Johnson.

Q.—Will you state in what particular, as accurately as you can, the accused failed to carry out your General Order of the 29th of August?

A.—I can only state the facts from the reports made to me by others. I did not myself during the 29th know of his exact position until it was reported to me by my aid-de-camp, quite late in the day. I don't know how far he had complied with my orders except from the reports of others.

Q.—Will you state, as accurately as you can from the information you have received up to the present time from any quarter, what are the particulars' orders the accused failed to carry out?

A.—I stated that the accused had failed, in my opinion, first, because I believed if he had attacked the enemy on the right flank I should known of it, being at the time myself on the battle-field near to the front. In relation to the first order—the joint order of the 29th—I have Gen. Porter's note to Gen. McDowell and Gen. King, in which he himself states that he had failed to obey it. (The note was produced.) This note sets forth the fact that Gen. Porter had an enemy in his front, and the impossibility of communicating with Pope on that account by crossing the road to Groveton, &c.; I received it on the 29th of August, between seven and eight o'clock in the evening; I do not remember to have received any other note; the note to which I refer in my official report was a note to McDowell and King, which I received; this note was brought directly to me, and not delivered to Gen. McDowell or to Gen. King; the only information which I received from Gen. Porter, I received from Gen. McDowell when he arrived on the field, and from my aid-de-camp when he returned at 4½ P. M.

Q.—Recollect, if you can, whether you received a note at the hands of one of your aids-de-camp after the reception of the first, stating that the accused was in position and could hold out and perhaps attack if strengthened by the division which you had taken from him, King's or another.

A.—I do not remember to have received a note, but I remember that my aid-de-camp told me that Gen. Porter said, if he had King's division he could make a dash at the enemy; if I received such a note and have it I will produce it; it made no impression on me at the time, if I received it, because King's division was at that time or about that time engaged in an action in our immediate front, and there were no other troops that could be spared; in fact, I thought he had troops enough to accomplish the purpose implied in the order; Morell's division was part of his army corps, which I supposed to be with him.

Q.—Recollect, if you can, whether you received information orally or in writing, whether Morrell's corps was then ready to engage the enemy?

A.—I do not remember to have received that information, though I presumed in sending the order of 4½ o'clock, P. M., that his whole corps was ready to engage the enemy.

Q.—Where do you suppose the accused was with his command when you issued your order to him of the 29th of August, at 4½ P. M.

A.—I supposed him to be somewhere on the road between Manassas Junction and Gainesville, and by that time far advanced towards Gainesville on that road.

Q.—Would the accused, by obeying the joint order of the 29th, have been brought up in front of the enemy at 4½ o'clock of that evening, and if so state by what means?

A.—No; he was not expected to be brought in front of the enemy; the joint order was made to intersect the Warrenton turnpike at Gainesville, and being on a road which constantly converged to the pike, Porter's corps would have been in a position to have been brought on the field in a short time.

Q.—Do you, in point of fact, know where the accused was with his command, in whole or in part, at four and a half P. M. on the 29th of August, 1862?

A.—Of my own knowledge I do not; knowing the relative position of the forces under his command and the enemy at that time, I am certain that it would have been in the power of the accused to turn the enemy's right flank; I knew the position of the enemy, occupying a line perpendicular to the turnpike at the town of Groveton; I was sure, from the orders I had given him, that Gen. Porter must be somewhere on the road to Gainesville; my belief was that the road from Manassas Junction to Gainesville either passed or was near the right flank of the enemy, and that Gen. Porter's march would, if pursued, pass to his right flank or rear. (Gen. Pope here pointed out the position of his own and the enemy's, and the position he supposed Gen. Porter's forces occupied.)

Q.—Did you know then, or do you now know whether at that time Longstreet's forces had joined Jackson in whole or in part?

A.—I had feared this junction of corps at any moment, as I knew from information that Longstreet was pussing forward to join Jackson; Gen. Buford, with his cavalry, was in that direction, and I knew that he was watching for that movement, and expected him to report about it; at half-past four o'clock I had not received any report from him; he was under command of Gen. McDowell.

Q.—Did you know then or do you know now what line of march Longstreet's corps was taking to unite with Jackson? If you do, state whether that would not have carried him to the right of Jackson's line, as you have described it on the map.

A.—I expected them, and understand now, that the advance of Longstreet's corps, passing through Gainesville, would seek to join Jackson by the Warrenton turnpike. According to my understanding of his position, this would have brought Longstreet to the centre of Jackson's line, though it was easy at any point between Gainesville and Groveton to have changed the course of his column and to have brought it in on the right or the left of Jackson's column, as they thought proper.

Q.—The accused desires you to state, assuming Longstreet's Corps had arrived on the right of Jackson's line, from what you know of the actual position of the accused and his command at 4½ P. M. on the 29th, what distance would he have had to march in order to strike the enemy on the flank and in the rear?

A.—I do not assume that Longstreet was on Jackson's right. You require me to assume certain things which I do not. Unless I could know how the command of Jackson was formed, and what dispositions were made by him, it is impossible to tell how much ground his line occupied, and know how far Gen. Porter would have been required to march. The distance would have certainly been much less than from Manassas Junction to Gainesville.

Q.—Without knowing that fact, which your preceding answer indicates, you state you did not know at the time when the order of half-past four P. M. was given, how could you then have known whether it would be in the power of the accused to strike the enemy in flank or rear?

A.—Would the accused be kind enough to state what facts I am ignorant of. I declined, in my previous answer, to assume that Longstreet was there at half-past four P. M. This is not a fact stated or proven.

Q.—Did you ascertain, when you learned that order to proceed to attack the enemy in flank and rear, that it could be carried out by him?

A.—The accused was expected to have attacked if possible, as I understood, the right flank of Jackson, and if possible his rear, and to have prevented his junction with Longstreet. I did not then believe, nor do I now believe, that at that time any considerable portion of Longstreet's forces were in the vicinity of the field.

Q.—How long after the order referred to was issued did you think it would take to place it in the possession of accused?

A.—I did not then know precisely at what point on the road from Manassas to Gainesville the accused was, and could not say how long it would take; but I know that an aid riding rapidly ought to go to any point from Gainesville to the west of Manassas in an hour.

Q.—Do you know whether at half-past five P. M., or between that and seven, the accused had the enemy immediately in his front?

A.—I don't know it except from the reports of others, though I think it altogether likely that the enemy would have pushed some forces out to observe the road between Gainesville and Manassas Junction. Of my own knowledge I do not know it, however.

Q.—Will you point out the position of the other corps on the map?

A.—There is no difficulty in doing that, with the exception of McDowell's, which had not then reached the field, but was moving from Manassas. Williams have pointed them out.] Gen. McDowell was understood to be on the Sudley Spring Road; I suppose the hill immediately in the rear of the line, on the east side of the Sudley Spring Road, and near the Warrenton Pike; in front of the line the reserve of Reno's command.

Q.—State if the line of march of McDowell, passing under the joint order the 29th of August, toward Groveton, does not necessarily cross him in the rear of the column of the line of accused?

A.—I understood McDowell to say subsequently that Gen. Porter, with his corps, was a little in advance toward Gainesville, a little east of the fields of the road, and that McDowell had passed, taking the Sudley Spring Road instead of the Gainesville, in the rear of Gen. Porter's column.

Q.—If McDowell's statement is correct, was not the accused obeying the order of the 29th—the joint order?

A.—He was at a halt when McDowell passed.

Q.—Are you now enabled to say that you were informed or knew that at seven o'clock in the evening on the 29th that Longstreet was up with Jackson in force?

A.—At seven o'clock I learned from Robert Buell, (spoken of his force, numbering one half the force under Porter—certainly not two-thirds—had passed through Gainesville, and had probably joined Porter—it seems to be insisted that the accused, to put the these questions, that I had stated somewhere in my testimony that I did not know that portion of Longstreet's forces had joined Jackson. I have not so stated. It is not my intention to do so.

Q.—State in what particular the accused failed to obey the order dated 6:30, August 29, which was as follows:

Maj.-Gen. F. J. Porter: The General commanding immediately on the receipt of this order, the powder head of which you will note, requests that you will march your command to the field at Bethlehem, to-day, and report to him in person for orders.

If you are to understand that you are to comply strictly with the order, and be present on the field within three hours after its receipt, as by daybreak, to-morrow, signed by Commanding-Gen. POPE.

A.—I thought he failed to obey it because two of the brigades of his command were not brought up with him, but by some means or other had straggled from it and were at Centreville.

After a few unimportant questions the Court adjourned until Monday.

IMPORTANT FROM TENNESSEE.

A Disgraceful Affair at Harteville.

Three Regiments and Two Guns Captured by Morgan.

The Rebels Escape Without Serious Loss.

Nashville, Sunday, Dec. 7.

Our arms are again disgraced. The Thirty-sixth Brigade, Dumont's Division, consisting of the One Hundred and Fourth Illinois, Col. Moore commanding brigade; of One Hundred and Sixth Ohio, Col. Lane; One Hundred and Eighth Ohio, Col. Lennard; Nicklin's Battery, and a small detachment of the Second Indiana Cavalry, were surprised at daylight this morning, at Harteville, by Morgan, commanding three regiments of cavalry and two of infantry. After fighting an hour and a quarter our forces surrendered, and the enemy burnt our camp, capturing nearly all the brigade tents and teams, and burning what they could not carry away. Two guns of Nicklin's Battery were also captured. Our loss was between fifty and sixty killed and wounded, who were left on the field. The rebel's loss is not reported. The gallant Lieut.-Col. Seward, of the Second Indiana Cavalry, and a Col. Moore were among the captives. Maj. Hall, of the Second Indiana Cavalry, was wounded, but not dangerously. He says half of our infantry fought well, but the other half soon broke. Col. Harris's and Col. Miller's brigades were sent in pursuit, but the enemy had forded Cumberland River, and were out of reach. A few shells sent after them caused a rapid retreat.

Maj. Hall denies that the camp was surprised. If so, the affair was more disgraceful to us, as Harteville was a strong position. On Tuesday, a Lieutenant-Colonel of Davis' Division was captured while skirmishing. Two regimental Quartermasters of Palmer's Division were also captured while foraging. The dates are not reported. Thirteen wagons, with mules, on a foraging expedition, were captured on Saturday.

A deserter from Murfreesboro reports Generals and Buckner there, with 15,000; Breckinridge at Shelbyville; and Kirby Smith still at Manchester. Gen. Joe Johnston was certainly at Murfreesboro on Saturday.

The Buell Military Commission, with Gen. Buell and Staff, arrived to-night, and stopped at the St. Cloud.

Philadelphia, Monday, Dec. 8.

The second edition of the *Press* has a Nashville dispatch dated the 7th, which says: "A battle has taken place between our advanced forces and Morgan's guerrillas. Col. Moore's Brigade was repulsed several times by the enemy and finally captured. Our troops made a desperate resistance, but were forced, finally, to succumb. Our loss, in killed and wounded, was sixty, who were left on the field.

Morgan attacked Gen. Fry in the afternoon at Gallatin, but was repulsed with heavy loss. Gen. Fry has been reinforced, and is now pursuing the enemy closely.

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[Harteville, where the above affair took place, is a small town in Sumner County, Tenn., and situated forty-five miles northeast of Nashville, on the south side of Cumberland River.]

Sick and Wounded Soldiers.

ARRIVAL OF THE DANIEL WEBSTER FROM ALEXANDRIA.

The United States hospital transport *Daniel Webster*, Capt. S. H. Chester, commanding, arrived at this port to-day from Alexandria, Va., which port she left on the 5th inst., at 7 A. M. She brings 311 sick and wounded soldiers. She had in tow the *St. Mary*, with about the same number on board, and on Saturday, at about 2½ A. M., was compelled to drop her on account of heavy weather and very high sea. Smith Island was then bearing northwest about ten miles. Two deaths occurred on board the *Daniel Webster*, viz.: Augustus Rogers, Company A, Fifty-third Pennsylvania Volunteers, died on Sunday, at 4 P. M., of chronic diarrhœa, and W. K. Geerwin, Company B, Sixteenth Massachusetts, died on Monday, at 6 A. M., of same disease.

List of Officers of Steamer.—Capt. S. H. Chester, Commander; Lieut. H. B. Bushler, U. S. A., Surgeon in charge; Dr. P. D. Lays, U. S. A., Assistant Surgeon; A. M. Blackwelder, Commander.

FROM GREAT BRITAIN.

Intervention Postponed—Europe Waiting for the Democracy—Their Supposed Policy—The Alabama and other English Steamers—Lancashire and the Cotton Insurrection—England Pro-Slavery—An Orleans Prince on the War—"Want of Confidence"—The same Opinions of the Democracy.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, Friday, Nov. 21, 1862.

There has been nothing new on the subject of the contemplated intervention of the European Powers since my last, except the publication of the correspondence between England and Russia. These documents are both of the same tenor. Both would be glad to end the war, but both fear that the time has not yet come, and that the proposition of an intervention would not be accepted. England postponing action because Russia is not ready, and Russia is willing to give its moral support whenever the other Powers can agree to put on the pressure.

That all parties and all Powers have been content to wait for another kind of intervention—that of the Democratic Party, whose success in several States has been hailed with great satisfaction. This political revolution is understood in England as a condemnation, not only of the manner in which the war has been conducted, but of the war itself. They look upon the talk about a more vigorous prosecution as a mere electioneering expedient. It is not strange that the views of the Democracy should be somewhat misapprehended.

It is known that long before the war the Democratic leaders and papers denounced the election of Mr. LINCOLN as leading to a war. It is known that most of the men now elected, BENJAMIN WADE, for example, whom the London *Times* has selected as its special hero, have denounced the war from its commencement. It is known that the party condemns what it considers the unconstitutional acts of the Government—martial law, suspension of *habeas corpus*, and the proclamation of freedom to the slaves—in a word, the whole policy and conduct of the war. It is natural, then, that the people, and even the Governments of Europe, should wait for what seems to them a more powerful intervention than any they could make, in the interests of peace.

No further movements of the Northern armies are looked for. McCLELLAN, it is supposed, after the show of an advance into Virginia, will retire into Winter quarters on the Potomac. Naval expeditions, it is presumed, may attempt the reduction of Charleston, Savannah, Mobile and Vicksburgh. Gen. BANKS may occupy Galveston, or Houston in Texas. But there is a confident expectation that the return of the Democratic Party to power will compel the withdrawal of the proclamation, and the restoration of the privileges of the *writ of habeas corpus*. It is expected that Gov. SEYMOUR will take from Fort Lafayette every prisoner who asks for a writ—but it is not supposed that the Government can checkmate Democracy by sending them all to Boston, under the care of Gov. ANDREW. The imprisonment of Episcopal clergymen for declining to pray for Mr. LINCOLN, is not calculated to conciliate English churchmen; and they look to the Democratic, or, as they call it, the Conservative Party, to put a stop to such paltriness. In fact, a little more of military efficiency, and a little less of imprisoning people for singing songs or not reading prayers, would be a desirable reform. It is true that Mr. LINCOLN, in setting out for Washington, asked to be prayed for, but one may innocently doubt whether at that time he intended to put people in prison who should decline to comply with his request.

The report that Mr. Secretary SEWARD has written to Mr. ADAMS, blaming the British Government for its complicity in the fitting out of the *Alabama*, caused a small flutter, and considerable indignation on the Stock Exchange. The English have wished to be perfectly neutral as between the two belligerents. They recognized the Confederates as belligerents in the beginning in their own interests, expressly that they might sell arms, ammunition, and ships to both parties, and their only regret is that the blockade has prevented them from carrying out their intentions of neutrality with perfect impartiality. There is a keen regret felt in every Englishman's pocket, that they have been compelled to be unfair to the South, and that they have sold ten times as much contraband of war to the North, as they could to the Confederates. Their consciences have pricked them to that degree, for this compulsory partiality, that they are now fitting out a fleet of the fastest steamers that ever crossed the ocean, expressly to run the blockade with munitions of war. These are small, sharp steamers of light draft, made of steel plates, all paddle-wheel and funnel, that will run off twenty knots an hour, and that no blockading vessel can think of taking. The success and impunity of the *Alabama*, will also lead to the fitting out and arming of a dozen more, if the war continues; and the answer to any complaint will be, "Didn't you help Russia in the Crimean war? Did not President PIERCE assert the right of Americans to build ships and sell ammunition to both parties? How then can you complain of us for doing what you did, and justified?"

"Besides, you have bought artillery, powder, everything you wanted, in England, without hindrance. Why should not the Confederates do the same? You call Capt. SEMMES a pirate—but he is no more a pirate than Stonewall JACKSON is a brigand; and you treat him according to the rules of war. A Confederate naval officer is entitled to the same consideration as one in the Federal service. You take Confederate and neutral contraband cargoes wherever you can. Why may not the Confederates *do the same?*"

This is the answer that will be given to Mr. ADAMS. If Capt. SEMMES has had the misfortune to capture a British ship in mistake, his Government will pay for it.

The distress in Lancashire deepens. The bounty of a nation will be exhausted in palliating the suffering. Burst cotton comes, but it cannot be worked to profit. The English are beginning to see that Lancashire is ruined and the cotton trade itself, unless they can get cotton from America. Hence the protest against the war—hence the protest against the abolition policy of the Government. England is less abolition than she was a year ago. Never was any measure more universally denounced than that of the proclamation. The freedom of the slaves in America is the ruin of the manufacturing interest in England. Lancashire has built up and extended Slavery. Cut off from that, it is ruined. Sentiment is a very fine thing; but Englishmen love the beauties of bread, and beef and beer. They blubbered freely over *Uncle Tom's Cabin*, but never bought one bale of cotton the less, and are ready to take all they can get. Manchester is the centre, heart and soul of American Slavery. Manchester has grown rich on its profits, and participates in its reverses. Can you expect sympathy from Manchester in an effort to destroy it? If so, you reckon without your host.

One of the Dutch Princes of the House of Orleans, who was with Gen. MCCLELLAN in the campaign of the Peninsula, has contributed to the *Revue des Deux Mondes* an article on the military operations. It is not calculated to add to the reputation of the General or the Army which he commanded. It is not flattering to the Army of the North, nor does it give encouraging promise for its success. The troops do not lack courage, says their French critic, but they are wanting in discipline. They have few good officers. The soldiers do as they please. They march bravely into battle; fight as long as they think proper, and then retreat by common consent, whenever they consider that they have done their part. Such regiments are not to be relied upon. The Prince also thinks the grand armies a grand mistake, and that a well disciplined, well officered force of 60,000 men would have been more efficient. These opinions will have their influence in France—coming, as they do, from one well disposed to the Union cause.

The *Times* of this day publishes an editorial from the NEW-YORK TIMES, in which the result of the election is set down as equivalent to a vote of *want of confidence* in the British Parliament, and Mr. LINCOLN is called upon—not to resign, as the Prime Minister in England would—not to dismiss his Cabinet, who have a very small share of responsibility, but to stiffen up his own extensive backbone, and his handsome upper lip, put that celebrated foot down, and go in for a "more vigorous prosecution of the war," in accordance with the professions of the triumphant Democracy.

Were the party leaders sincere in their professions, this would be good advice. It may be good policy for the Republicans to take them at their word; but Mr. LINCOLN knows exactly what credit to give to their professions. The plain fact is that the Democratic Party, from THOMAS JEFFERSON to HORATIO SEYMOUR has always been a State rights party. It is not, and never has been in earnest in fighting for the Union. Its sympathies were with the South before the war, and they are with the South still. No Democratic General is to be trusted to carry out the policy of the Republican Party. No Democratic soldier, if he knows what he is about, is be trusted to fight for it. The Democracy of the North, whenever they dare express their real opinions, will go for JEFF. DAVIS, rather than President LINCOLN. What can Mr. LINCOLN do when the North is full of those who are, in their hearts, and wherever they dare to be, as much traitors to the Union as any man fighting in the Southern army?

I shall be glad if Mr. LINCOLN change his policy, placing himself firmly on the platform of the Constitution, and compelling even England to respect him, in the prosecution of the great work of restoration which has been confided to his hands. But, to do this work, he must have Generals, a disciplined army, and a united people. To conquer requires means in proportion to the end. It needs the sword, the purse, and public opinion—an efficient army—a sufficient currency, and a united and devoted people. With these all things are possible.

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Which was laid over.

PAPERS HERETOFORE LAID OVER.

Resolution from the Board of Councilmen that Forty-fourth-street, from the Fifth-avenue to the North River, be renumbered under the direction of the Street Commissioner.

Which was concurred in.

Resolution from the Board of Councilmen that the Street Commissioner be directed to procure a sewer and catch-basins for the use of Hose Company number Forty-five, which seem to hereby appropriated thereto.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

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Report of Committee on Public Health, in favor of adopting resolution that the vacant lots on the south side of Fifty-third street, between the Second and Third-avenues, be fenced in, under the direction of the Street Commissioner, with ordinance therefor.

Which was adopted by the following vote, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Walsh, The President, Hall, Brady, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Jeremiah, Frear, Boole, Allen, Ottiwell, Farley—12.

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Report of Committee on Public Health, in favor of adopting ordinance that the sunken lots on Broadway, between Forty-fifth and Forty-sixth streets, be fenced in under the direction of the Street Commissioner.

Which was adopted by the following vote, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Walsh, The President, Hall, Brady, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Jeremiah, Frear, Boole, Allen, Ottiwell, Farley—12.

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Which was laid over.

PAPERS HERETOFORE LAID OVER.

Resolution from the Board of Councilmen that Forty-fourth-street, from the Fifth-avenue to the North River, be renumbered under the direction of the Street Commissioner.

Which was concurred in.

Resolution from the Board of Councilmen that the Street Commissioner be directed to procure a sewer and catch-basins for the use of Hose Company number Forty-five, which seem to hereby appropriated thereto.

Which was concurred in by the following vote:

Affirmative—Aldermen Walsh, The President, Hall, Brady, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Jeremiah, Frear, Boole, Allen, Ottiwell, Farley—12.

Resolution that the sum of one thousand dollars be appropriated to secure a suitable painting of Thomas Jefferson to be placed in the Governor's Room.

Which was lost for want of a constitutional vote, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Walsh, The President, Hall, Brady, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Dayton, Frear, Boole, Ottiwell, Farley—11.

Negative—Aldermen Jeremiah, Allen, Froment—3.

Which was subsequently reconsidered and laid over.

Report of Committee on Sewers, in favor of adopting resolution that a sewer, with the necessary receiving basins and culverts, be built in Fourth-avenue, from Fifty-second to Fifty-seventh-streets, under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Board, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Walsh, The President, Hall, Brady, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Jeremiah, Frear, Boole, Allen, Ottiwell, Froment, Farley—12.

Report of Committee on Sewers, in favor of adopting resolution that a sewer, with the necessary receiving basins and culverts, be built in Lewis-street, from Rivington to Delancey-street, under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Board, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Walsh, The President, Hall, Brady, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Jeremiah, Frear, Boole, Allen, Ottiwell, Froment, Farley—12.

Report of Committee on Sewers, in favor of concurring *with Board of Councilmen in adopting resolution* that the law and sunken lots between One Hundred and Twenty-eighth and One Hundred and Twenty-ninth-street and Third and Fourth avenues, be filled in, under the direction of the Street Commissioner, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Walsh, The President, Hall, Brady, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Jeremiah, Frear, Boole, Allen, Ottiwell, Farley—12.

Resolution that the vacant lots in Forty-first-street, (north side,) between Ninth-avenue and Eleventh-avenue, be fenced in, under the direction of the Street Commissioner, and that the accompanying ordinance be adopted.

Which was adopted by the following vote, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Walsh, The President, Hall, Brady, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Jeremiah, Frear, Boole, Allen, Ottiwell, Farley—12.

Report of Committee on Public Health, in favor of adopting resolution that the vacant lots on the south side of Fifty-third street, between the Second and Third-avenues, be fenced in, under the direction of the Street Commissioner, with ordinance therefor.

Which was adopted by the following vote, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Walsh, The President, Hall, Brady, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Jeremiah, Frear, Boole, Allen, Ottiwell, Farley—12.

Report of Committee on Public Health, in favor of adopting resolution that the vacant lots on the north side of Forty-first street, between the Second and Third-avenues, be fenced in, under the direction of the Street Commissioner, with ordinance therefor.

Which was adopted by the following vote, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Walsh, The President, Hall, Brady, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Jeremiah, Frear, Boole, Allen, Ottiwell, Farley—12.

Report of Committee on Public Health, in favor of adopting ordinance that the sunken lots on Broadway, between Forty-fifth and Forty-sixth streets, be fenced in under the direction of the Street Commissioner.

Which was adopted by the following vote, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Walsh, The President, Hall, Brady, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Jeremiah, Frear, Boole, Allen, Ottiwell, Farley—12.

Resolution, that the Street Commissioner be directed to have the pier foot of Harrison-street widened ten feet on the north side; also, to extend said pier to exterior line.

Which was adopted by the following vote, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Walsh, The President, Hall, Brady, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Jeremiah, Frear, Boole, Allen, Ottiwell, Farley—12.

Resolution that the Street Commissioner be directed to have the slip on the south side of Pier number Fifty-one, North River, dredged to a depth of three feet below low water mark.

Which was adopted by the following vote, viz.:

Affirmative—Aldermen Walsh, The President, Hall, Brady, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Jeremiah, Frear, Boole, Allen, Ottiwell, Froment, Farley—11.

Report of Committee on Roads in favor of concurring with Board of Councilmen in adopting resolution that the sidewalk on the west side of Lexington-avenue, between Fortieth and Forty-first streets, and on the north side of Forty-first-street, between Lexington and Fourth avenues, be flagged the full width where not already done, under the direction of the Street Commissioner, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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Report of Committee on Roads in favor of concurring with Board of Councilmen in adopting resolution that the Croton Aqueduct Department be directed to have cross-walks laid across Forty-third-street, on both sides of the Second-avenue and Second-avenue, on both sides of said Forty-third-street, under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Department, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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Report of Committee on Markets in favor of adopting resolution that the Street Commissioner be directed to cause a new roof to be placed on the country market at Jefferson Market, and that the necessary repairs to be made to said Market as in his judgment may be necessary; the work, should it exceed in amount the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars, to be done by contract.

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Affirmative—Aldermen Walsh, The President, Brady, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Frear, Boole, Ottiwell, Froment, Farley—11.

Resolution of Board of Councilmen that permission be given to Thomas Cornwall to erect a water-trough in front of his premises, number twenty Burling-slip.

Which was concurred in.

Report of Committee on Streets in favor of adopting resolution that Broadway, from Twenty-fourth to Thirty-second-street, be paved with trap-block pavement, under the direction of the Croton Aqueduct Board.

Alderman Boole moved to lay on the table.

Which was concurred in by the following vote, viz:

Affirmative—Aldermen Walsh, The President, Reed, Chipp, Mitchell, Jeremiah, Frear, Boole, Ottiwell, Farley—10.

Negative—Aldermen Brady, Allen, Froment—3.

Report of Committee on Roads, of Board of Councilmen in favor of adopting resolution that Seventy-ninth-street, from the Fifth Avenue, be regulated and graded, under the direction of the Street Commissioner, and that the accompanying ordinance therefor be adopted.

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MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Bankers and Brokers Exchange—Dec. 6, 1865.

LAW REPORTS.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM—Adjourned.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—Part 2—Nos. 2021, 2023, 2025, 2027, 2029, 2031, 2033, 2035, 2037, 2039, 2041, 2043, 2045, 2047, 2049, 2051, 2053, 2055, 2057, 2059, 2061, 2063, 2065, 2067, 2069, 2071, 2073, 2075, 2077, 2079, 2081, 2083, 2085, 2087, 2089, 2091, 2093, 2095, 2097, 2099,

New-York Daily Times.

NEW-YORK, TUESDAY, DEC. 5, 1854.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

THE REBELLION.

A dispatch from the headquarters of the Army of the Potomac states that there was no movement of importance yesterday, but that the impression is prevalent that the quiet would be of short duration. There has already been some interesting skirmishing between the pickets of the two armies, in which the enemy suffered severely. Many of our forces are known to be in the vicinity of Centreville, near Gainsville, and a small detachment of cavalry. After the surrender of our forces the enemy burnt the bridge over Bull Run, destroyed all the other property they could not carry away. Meagre is the news from Gen. Banks's division of the army. It is said that Jackson's forces are massing at Winchester, and that the rebel General Ewell is at Strasburg, with a force of from 15,000 to 20,000 men. Gen. Banks is fortifying Harper's Ferry, and is also throwing up intrenchments on Bolivar Heights, which command the town. Gen. Williams is at Charlestown, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Shields is at Martinsburg, with a force of 10,000 men. Gen. Hamilton is at Romney, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Kelley is at Cumberland, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Lander is at Paw Paw Tunnel, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Milroy is at Bloomery Gap, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Schenck is at Green Spring Run, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Sigel is at Winchester, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Blenker is at Strasburg, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Geary is at Snicker's Gap, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Duryea is at Berry's Ferry, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Abercrombie is at Edwards Ferry, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Stone is at Poolesville, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Gorman is at Harrison's Island, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Hooker is at Budd's Ferry, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Smith is at Chain Bridge, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Casey is at Upton's Hill, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Couch is at Alexandria, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Keyes is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Heintzelman is at Fairfax Station, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Franklin is at Annandale, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Porter is at Lewinsville, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. McCall is at Dranesville, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Meade is at Centreville, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Hunter is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Fitz John Porter is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Sykes is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Morell is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Sedgwick is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Richardson is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Howard is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Kearney is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Hooker is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Sumner is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. McClellan is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Burnside is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Banks is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Shields is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Hamilton is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Kelley is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Lander is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Milroy is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Schenck is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Sigel is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Blenker is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Geary is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Duryea is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Abercrombie is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Stone is at Fairfax Court-House, with a force of 5,000 men. Gen. Gorman

Mr. Beecher's Second Lecture.

The second of Mr. Beecher's lectures on the course of lectures now being delivered at the Academy of Music, Brooklyn, will be delivered this (Tuesday) evening, and the following announcement is made of the subject: "Fifty Years Hence." Queer notions and Men in the Next Century." Mr. Beecher, in his lecture, will endeavor to show what changes will probably take place in the course of the next fifty years, and what the character of the men will be who will live in that time. He will also endeavor to show what will be the course of Christianity during that period, and what the character of the religious sentiment will be. The lecture will be illustrated by a number of stereopticon views.

Mr. Stanley's Second Lecture.

Mr. Henry Stanley, about 25 years, was to-day married at the house of Miss Dorothy Dixon, Bedford-avenue, to Miss Adelaide Whitney, daughter of Mr. Henry Whitney, of Boston. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. Storrs, of Brooklyn, and the Rev. Dr. Armitage, of New-York. The bride was attended by Miss Dixon as bridesmaid, and Mr. Stanley by Mr. Whitney as best man. The ushers were Messrs. Dixon, Whitney, Lyman Beecher, Jr., and Frederick Beecher. The reception at the house of the bride's father was a brilliant affair. Among the guests were Mr. Henry Ward Beecher, Mrs. Stanley, Mrs. Whitney, Mrs. Lyman Beecher, Mrs. Frederick Beecher, Mrs. Thomas K. Beecher, Mrs. Hooker, Mrs. Storrs, Mrs. Armitage, Mrs. Dixon, Mrs. Whitney, Mrs. Lyman Beecher, Jr., and Mrs. Frederick Beecher. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley left in the afternoon for Niagara Falls, and will be absent about two weeks.

The Lamp-Post Letter Boxes.

Postmaster WAKEMAN corrects the statement that the lamp-post letter boxes have become insecure places of deposit, in consequence of frequent robberies. It is positively denied that any such robbery has taken place since those boxes were first established. Occasionally, by accident, a box has been broken by the carelessness of a driver of an omnibus or other vehicle; but, by an arrangement made by the Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General, the letters are immediately taken from the box until the damage is repaired. The letters are then dropped into the boxes five times each day.

The Overland Route.

St. Louis, Monday, Dec. 6.

The overland stage arrived yesterday with $30,000 in gold dust. The time from Denver was six days and a quarter, and from Fredericville, seventeen days and a half.

CORRECTION.—The publishers of the *Sunday Mercury* desire us to state that they have not yet issued their prize issue to any agent, and that they have not declared when they will do so.

THE ARMOURY CASES OF DEFECTIVE AND DISHONEST WORK.

EXAMINATION OF ANOTHER BUILDING BY THE GRAND JURY—THE CONTRACTOR AND HIS BONDSMEN.

The Grand Jury, which has been investigating the armory cases, met at 2 P.M.—Colonels Duryea and Varian, Lieutenant-Colonel Cavada, Major Wood, Captain Wilson, Adjutant Hall, Quartermaster Hall, Commissary-General Wetmore, Inspector-General Fry, Assistant Adjutant-General Seaman, Aide-de-Camp Colonel Fairchild, Aide-de-Camp Colonel Varian, Aide-de-Camp Colonel Duryea, Aide-de-Camp Colonel Wood, Aide-de-Camp Colonel Wilson, Aide-de-Camp Colonel Hall, Aide-de-Camp Colonel Seaman, Aide-de-Camp Colonel Fairchild, Aide-de-Camp Colonel Cavada, Aide-de-Camp Colonel Wetmore, Aide-de-Camp Colonel Fry

SITUATIONS WANTED.

FEMALES.

AS COOK, CHAMBERMAID, &c.—SITUATIONS wanted by two respectable girls, one as cook, the other as chambermaid and waitress; the former has lived in a private family for the last two years, and can be highly recommended; the latter has lived in a first-class family in the city, and can be highly recommended. Apply at No. 57 Bleecker-st., between Mercer and Greene sts.

AS COOK.—WANTED, A SITUATION AS COOK in a private family; is a good baker; best City and country reference. Call at No. 317 East 26th-st., between 2d and 3d avs.

AS COOK, COUNTRY SITUATION WANTED.—By an English Protestant woman, as cook, who understands all branches of cooking; soups, game, jellies, ices, creams, all desserts of all kinds, and is a good bread and biscuit maker; will go any distance in the country. Can come for two days at No. 219 West 26th-st., near 7th-av.

AS COOK.—A PROTESTANT COOK WANTS A situation; is a thorough good cook; understands all kinds of meat, fish and pastry; no objection to assist with washing. Call or address at No. 108 West 32d-st., room No. 12.

AS COOK.—WANTED, A SITUATION AS COOK. By a competent woman, who thoroughly understands her business; is an excellent baker; would be willing to assist with washing and ironing; has the best of City reference. Can be seen until engaged, at No. 124 7th-av., between 16th and 17th sts.

AS COOK.—WANTED, BY A COMPETENT WOMAN, a situation as good cook; understands her business thoroughly; willing to assist with washing and ironing; or any other domestic duty required; has three years' City reference. Call for two days at No. 13 Union-court, University-place, between 11th and 12th sts.

AS COOK.—WANTED, A SITUATION AS FIRST-class cook in a private family; perfectly understands cooking in all its branches; best of City reference. Can be seen at No. 81 Bleecker-st., in the rear, second floor.

AS COOK.—A SITUATION WANTED AS COOK, by an American woman, one who understands English and American cooking; can give the best of City references for capability and character. Call at No. 327 4th-av., between 22d and 23d sts., for two days.

AS COOK, WASHER AND IRONER.—WANTED, a situation, by a respectable young woman, as first-class cook, washer and ironer; has lived with a fashionable family, which will give the best of City reference. Call for two days at No. 20 41st-st., between 6th and Madison sts.

AS COOK AND WASHER AND IRONER.—WANTED, by a Protestant woman, a situation as above, with best of references. Apply at No. 121 West 40th-st., between 6th and 7th avs.

AS COOK.—WANTED, A SITUATION BY A respectable woman as an experienced cook; understands her business in all its branches. Can be seen, for two days, at No. 163 East 14th-st.

AS COOK AND LAUNDRESS.—WANTED BY A competent, tidy woman with excellent City reference a situation as cook and laundress; does up linens in style; makes excellent pastry, soups and game; or regular laundress; wages $8 to $10; City or country. Call at No. 122 East 21st-st., for two days.

AS GOOD COOK.—AN EXPERIENCED WOMAN as above wants a situation as good cook; can make the best of bread and pastry; has no objection to assist in the washing and ironing; can come well recommended. Can be seen for two days, if not suited, at No. 114 7th-av., between 18th and 19th sts.

AS FIRST-CLASS COOK.—WANTED, A SITUATION by a respectable woman, who is a first-class cook, understands soups, meats, games and desserts; the best of references given; no objections to the country. Can be seen for two days at No. 176 East 24th-st., between 1st and 2d avs., in the candy store.

AS HEAT AND PASTRY COOK.—WANTED, a situation by a first-class meat and pastry cook; understands jellies, soups and games; no objection to a first-class boarding-house or first-class private family; the best of City references can be given. Call at the front door at 59 4th-st., near 3d-av. Can be seen for two days.

AN NURSE.—AN EXPERIENCED STEADY young woman wishes a situation as nurse and seamstress; would take the entire charge of a baby from its birth; has lived the last of young children for many years; best long and satisfactory references; lived four years in her last place, and six years in her previous place. Apply at No. 264 West 26th-st., in the store, for two days.

AS NURSE.—A RESPECTABLE PERSON wishes a situation as nurse; has been in the capacity for several years, and is fully competent to take charge of an infant from its birth; is handy and obliging in sickness, and has the best of City reference. Can be seen for two days at No. 247½ Broadway, between 32d and 33d sts.

AS NURSE AND SEAMSTRESS.—WANTED, by a competent young woman, a situation as nurse and seamstress; can take charge of a baby from its birth; or would do chamberwork and plain cooking; is willing to make herself generally useful. Best of City reference given. Call for two days at No. 240 Quincy-st., Brooklyn, L. I.

AS NURSE AND SEAMSTRESS.—WANTED by an experienced woman a situation as Nurse and Seamstress; can take charge of a baby from its birth; can do children's clothes; do embroidering and braiding; has no objection to the country or to travel; has the best of reference; can be seen for two days at No. 190 13th-st., between 1st and 2d avs.

AS NURSE AND SEAMSTRESS.—SITUATION wanted by a widow woman as nurse and seamstress, or to do chamberwork and fine washing and ironing; is fully competent to take charge of a baby from its birth. Call for two days at No. 212 East 23d-st., between 3d and Lexington avs.

AS NURSE AND SEAMSTRESS.—A SITUATION wanted by a very respectable young woman with the best of City references; would have no objection to do chamberwork. Call for two days, or address A. M. BEE, No. 203 Broadway, near 23d-st.

AS INFANT'S NURSE.—WANTED, A SITUATION as infant's nurse by a Protestant young woman, who has had long experience; is accustomed to take entire charge of infants from their birth; would do seamstressing if required. Can be seen for two days. Unexceptionable City reference as to character and abilities. Call between 10 and 12 A. M., at No. 61 Jane-st., between 16th and 16th sts., in the dry goods store.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

FEMALES.

AS CHAMBERMAID AND THOROUGH WAITRESS.—Situation wanted, by a very highly recommended girl as thorough up-stairs servant, or will go as lady's maid; would prefer to travel; has lived in distinguished families, to whom she refers, and will be found a neat, accomplished, and obliging servant. Apply to Mrs. CHRISTOPHER, No. 10 Tillary-st., Brooklyn.

AS CHAMBERMAID AND WAITRESS.—A lady wishes to procure a situation in a private family for a competent, reliable young woman; either as chambermaid and waitress or as chambermaid and to do fine washing. Apply at No. 125 West 11th-st., this morning, from 10 to 1 o'clock.

AS CHAMBERMAID AND WAITRESS.—A lady wishes to procure a situation in a private family for a competent, reliable young woman; either as chambermaid and waitress, or as chambermaid and to do fine washing. Apply at No. 125 West 11th-st., this morning, from 10 to 1 o'clock.

AS CHAMBERMAID AND NURSE.—A RESpectable girl wants a situation as chambermaid and nurse, or as chambermaid and seamstress; good City references given. Can be seen, for two days, at No. 374 6th-av., corner of 23d-st.

AS CHAMBERMAID AND WAITRESS.—Wanted, a situation by a respectable young woman as chambermaid and waitress, or chambermaid and nurse; is the best of City reference. No objection to assist in washing and ironing of a small private family; can give the best of City reference from her last place. Can be seen for two days at No. 85 West 30th-st., up stairs, between 5th and 6th avs.

AS CHAMBERMAID, &c.—A RESPECTABLE young girl wants a situation as chambermaid and to take care of children, or would do waiting; thoroughly understands her business; has two years' City reference. Can be seen until engaged at No. 202 7th-av., between 23d and 24th sts.

AS CHAMBERMAID AND WAITRESS.—A Wanted, a situation as chambermaid and waitress, and assist in the washing and ironing, by a competent woman with the highest recommendation. Can be seen at her present employer's, No. 37 West 31st-st., for 2 days.

AS CHAMBERMAID AND WAITRESS.—Wanted by a respectable Protestant girl, a situation to do chamberwork and waiting, or as nurse and chambermaid. Would be willing to assist with washing and ironing. Has the best of City reference. Call at No. 30 31st-st., between 4th and Madison aves.

AS CHAMBERMAID, &c.—WANTED, BY A respectable Protestant young woman, a situation as first-class chambermaid and seamstress, or chambermaid and nurse to do washing, or nurse and seamstress; has the best of City reference. Can be seen for two days, at No. 344 6th-av., near 21st-st., in the rear.

AS CHAMBERMAID, &c.—A SITUATION wanted, by a respectable young girl, as chambermaid and nurse and good plain sewer; good reference given; no objections to go a short distance in the country. Call for two days at No. 109 West 15th-st. in the basement

AS CHAMBERMAID.—WANTED, BY A COMpetent chambermaid, a situation in a private family; would do fine washing or assist in the care of children. Can be seen for two days, from 12 to 2 o'clock, at her present employer's, No. 76 6th-av.

AS CHAMBERMAID AND WAITRESS.—Wanted, by a young girl, a situation as chambermaid and waitress; can do plain sewing; would assist in the washing and ironing. Good City reference. Call, for two days, at No. 209 Pacific-st., Brooklyn.

AS CHAMBERMAID, &c.—A YOUNG GIRL wants a situation as chambermaid and to assist in washing and ironing, or do plain sewing; best of City reference. Apply at No. 104 20th-st., near 7th-av.

AS LADY'S MAID.—WANTED, BY A PROTestant young woman, fully competent, a situation as lady's maid; no objection to chamberwork; best of references. Can be seen, for three days, at No. 324 West 16th-st.

AS LADY'S MAID.—WANTED, A SITUATION as lady's maid; is a good hair-dresser and dressmaker; understands her business perfectly; has the best of reference. Call at No. 635 6th-av., for two days.

AS HOUSEMAID.—A GOOD GERMAN GIRL wishes a situation, in a Methodist family preferred; she is useful at all kinds of housework; she is 27 years of age. Call or address at No. 121 West 29th-st., between 5th and 6th avs.

AS HOUSEKEEPER.—WANTED, BY A MIDdle-aged Protestant lady, a situation in a gentleman's family, institution or first-class boarding school; understands cooking and baking and baking, and not afraid to work; can do as well as direct; has lived ten years in one family; the best of City reference. Can be seen for this week, at No. 27 West 44th-st., a few doors from 6th-av. No objection to leave the the City.

AS HOUSEKEEPER.—SITUATION WANTED, by a competent person, as housekeeper or assistant to a lady as such; is willing to make herself useful; would do light chamber work; understands doing up muslins; or would take charge of one or two growing up children; satisfactory references given. Can be seen at No. 60 Greenwich-av., near 11th-st.

HOUSEKEEPER'S SITUATION WANTED.—A lady of the highest respectability, of pleasing address and appearance, well acquainted with all household duties, wishes the position of housekeeper in a widower's family. No objections to children. Address A. B. Y., Union-square Post Office, for two days.

AS SEAMSTRESS.—A COMPETENT PERSON wishes a situation as seamstress. Can cut and fit children's clothes and ladies' plain dresses. Would take care of grown children. Wages not so much an object as a permanent situation. Best of City references. Call, for two days, at No. 162 West 30th-st.

AS SEAMSTRESS, WAITRESS OR CHAMBERMAID.—A lady wishes to find a place for a respectable young woman, who has lived with her for some months, either as seamstress, waitress or chambermaid. Apply at No. 61 University-place, at 12 o'clock for several days.

AS WET NURSE.—A SITUATION WANTED BY a young, healthy woman who has lost her own child, as wet nurse; milk five weeks old; good reference. Can be seen at No. 120 East 26th-st., first floor, front room, near 3d-av.

AS FRENCH NURSE.—A YOUNG FRENCH girl, used to nursing children, wishes a situation as nurse. Apply at the Employment Society's Office, Clinton Hall, Astor-place, near Broadway.

AS WAITRESS.—A RESPECTABLE PROTESTant young woman wants a situation in a first-class private family as waitress; understands her work thoroughly; can give unexceptionable City references for neatness and capability. Can be seen for two days at No. 40 University-place, second door from the corner of 11th-st.

AS WAITRESS OR CHAMBERMAID.—A lady about to break up housekeeping is desirous of finding a situation for one of her girls, (who has lived with her for a long time,) either as waitress or chambermaid. Can be seen until the 11th, at No. 16 West 31st-st.

AS WAITRESS.—A COMPETENT YOUNG WOman wishes a situation as first-class waitress, or would do chamberwork and waiting; is willing and obliging; best of City reference. Call for two days at No. 13 Union-court, University-place, between 11th and 12th sts.

AS WAITRESS, &c.—WANTED, BY A RESpectable Protestant girl, a situation as waitress and chambermaid, or nurse and seamstress; no objections to the country; can give City reference. Address No. 423 West 36th-st.

WANTED—BY A DRESSMAKER AND TAILORess; sewing by the day or week; understands all kinds of family sewing; a permanent situation preferred. Call at, or address, No. 623 4th-av., near 40th-st., second cottage.

WANTED—BY A COMPETENT DRESSMAKER, work by the day or week; best of references given. Call at No. 180 6th-av., between 12th and 13th sts.

A GERMAN CHAMBERMAID.—A FIRST-class German chambermaid for a first-class family on hand, good situations and good servants. Inquire at Employment Society's Office at Clinton-hall, on Astor-place and 8th-st., a few doors east of Broadway. Rev. WM. DEMAREST, Superintendent.

GOOD SERVANTS IN GREAT ABUNDANCE and variety, with investigated character and qualifications, may be found at the Employment Society's Office, at Clinton Hall, on Astor-place and 8th-st., a few doors east of Broadway, (formerly at the Bible-house.) German, Dutch, French and Italian languages spoken. Rev. WM. DEMAREST, Superintendent.

AT THE OLD OFFICE, NO. 149 GRAND-st.—All private families, hotels, boarding-houses, furnished with first-class servants, cooks, washers, ironers, chambermaids, waitresses, nurses, &c. Tidy girls for housework; also, men servants, coachmen, waiters, porters, &c. Wanted, immediately, a number of first-class servants.

MALES.

AS GARDENER.—A GARDENER WANTS A situation. Will take charge of a gentleman's place and farm. Understands the management of glass. Good references given. Address C. M., Box No. 189 Times office, for two days.

AS COACHMAN.—WANTED A SITUATION BY a respectable single man, who has long experience in this city, and lived in some of the first class families in this city. Can give the best of city references as to character and capability. Can be seen at No. 208 4th-av., at Mr. Wright's saddlery warehouse, or a note addressed to COACHMAN, at the above number, will be attended to.

AS COACHMAN.—WANTED, A SITUATION AS coachman, by a respectable man, of long experience in driving in the City some of the best families; is a thorough groom and coachman, and can be recommended as such by several gentlemen at present in town. Address T. W., at private stable, No. 26 East 13th-st., for two days.

AS COACHMAN, &c.—A YOUNG PROTESTANT man wants a situation as coachman, &c.; can make himself generally useful if required; country preferred; the best of references as to character, &c., can be given. Call or address S. TYRRELL, No. 9 Chatham-st.

AS COACHMAN.—WANTED A SITUATION BY a single man as coachman; understands the care of horses, carriages and harness, &c., and is a good driver; good City reference given. Addres B. H. W., box 203 Times Office.

AS COACHMAN AND GROOM.—WANTED, A situation as coachman and groom by a Protestant Englishman; a single man; has had long experience in the care and management of horses; is a good and careful driver; has excellent City reference; no objection to any part of the country. Address W. E., Box 308 Times Office.

AS COACHMAN.—A SITUATION WANTED, BY a respectable Protestant man as coachman in a private family; understands his business perfectly; good reference given. Call or address COACHMAN, No. 440 4th-av., corner 31st-st.

AS COACHMAN—A SITUATION WANTED BY a respectable young man, who understands his business perfectly well; is a good and careful driver; has the best of references; can refer to his last employers. Call or address J. E., No. 70 Bleecker-st., near Broadway.

AS COACHMAN.—A SITUATION WANTED BY a young single man (English;) thoroughly understands the management of road or carriage horses, and has good City references. Address R. B., Box 203 Times Office.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

MALES.

AS CLERK, &c.—A SMART, RESPECTABLE young man, (Protestant,) having a good education, wishes a situation as clerk in a grocery or dry-good store; is perfectly willing to make himself generally useful. Can give references as to capacity, honesty, sobriety, &c. Address CLERK, No. 220 Greenwich, near 23d-st., or can be seen at the same number.

AS CLERK.—SITUATION WANTED BY A young man of 18, who lives with his parent, as clerk in any respectable business, broker or banker preferred; will devote his time to the interests of his employer. A very moderate salary expected. Address H. H., Box No. 158 Times office.

AS BOOK-KEEPER.—WANTED, BY A YOUNG married man, a situation as book-keeper or assistant in a wholesale boot and shoe or grocery house; good City reference; salary moderate. Address W. E. H., Box No. 185 Times Office.

AS USEFUL MAN.—WANTED, A SITUATION by a single man, who understands taking care of horses; can milk cows, and make himself generally useful; has good country reference. Can be seen for two days. Address No. 23 8th-st., in the rear, 2d floor.

AS WAITER.—WANTED, BY A HIGHLY RErespectable steady and sober man, with unexceptionable references as to character and qualifications, a situation as waiter in a private family; has no objection to go to the country, or to travel with a family; can be seen for two days. Address P. L., Box No. 369 Times Office, or No. 46 West 19th-st.

AS GROOM.—SITUATION WANTED, AS groom, by a young man, between 18 and 19 years of age, to take care of a pair of private or road horses. The best of City references. Apply at No. 839 Broadway.

WANTED—A YOUNG MAN WANTS A SITUAtion; understands the use of carpenter's tools. Address C. J. J., Box No. 151 Times Office, for two days.

EMPLOYMENT IN THE COUNTRY WANTED for two contrabands, an old man and his wife, lately slaves, who are capable of work, honest, faithful and willing, but who are without the means of support. A home on a farm, at low wages, is sought for them, and they are strongly recommended, to any one in need of such help, as good servants, and worthy objects of benevolence. Address MARTIN H. ROBERTS, No. 103 Pearl-st.

LAUNDRESSES.

WASHING WANTED—BY AN EXPERIENCED LAUNDRESS; family washing or gentlemen's; understands the finishing of fine linen; the best of City reference as to character and capability, from families she has worked with for the last 8 years. Call, or send to No. 126 21st-st., near 3d-av., in the feed-store.

AS LAUNDRESS.—A YOUNG WOMAN WISHES a situation as laundress, or laundress and chambermaid; understands ironing in all its branches, and would have no objections to cooking, washing and ironing in a small family; can bring satisfactory reference; can be given from her last place, where she served for two years. Can be seen for two days at No. 45 Perry-st., near 4th-st.

AS LAUNDRESS, OR CHAMBERMAID AND LAUNDRESS.—A Scotch Protestant person, having the best of experience, wishes a situation in a private family as above. In City or country; has the best of testimonials; no better can be had. Can be seen by applying to A. M. SEE, No. 662 Broadway, near 23d-st.

AS LAUNDRESS, &c.—WANTED, BY A COMpetent, tidy woman, with excellent City references, a situation as laundress and chambermaid, or nurse and to do a lady's washing and ironing in fashionable style; the latter fully competent in such capacity. Wages $7. Call at No. 102 East 34th-st., first floor, for two days.

AS LAUNDRESS.—WANTED, A SITUATION as laundress, by a most excellent and experienced person, with the best of references from her last employer. Apply at Beckham's, No. 400 4th-av., near 29th-st.

AS LAUNDRESS.—A COMPETENT YOUNG woman wishes a situation as first-class laundress; understands fine washing and French fluting, or would do chamberwork or fine washing; has the best City reference. Call, for two days, at No. 13 Union-court, University-place, between 11th and 12th sts.

HELP WANTED.

SALESMAN WANTED.—IN AN INLAND wholesale dry goods commission house, doing a large business. Any young man well recommended, well acquainted with dry goods, with good salesmanship on downstairs, stating real name, where now or last employed, and where an interview may be had at any particular hour on Tuesday or Wednesday, 9th or 10th inst, will address for two days, P. Q. R., box No. 144 Times Office.

LADY AGENTS FOR MRS. HANKING'S HOME GAZETTE AND FIRESIDE JOURNAL wanted everywhere, at home or to travel, on salary or commission. A lady agent during the month of December took 560 advance paying subscribers in the town of Troy, clearing for herself $250. Agents are all making money. Only paper of its kind in this country. Apply in person or inclose two red stamps to M. GAUNTT, No. 413 Broadway, New-York City.

SOAP MAKER WANTED.—ONE WHO UNderstands the manufacture of brown soap in all its varieties, and who can give unexceptionable references as to capability, honesty and sobriety, may hear of a permanent situation, with fair wages, in an old-established manufactory in this City. Address A. B. C., Box No. 162 Times Office.

WANTED—A GOOD STEADY GIRL TO DO THE work of a small family; must be a good washer and ironer and willing to make herself useful; must come well recommended; a German preferred. Apply at No. 207 West 43d-st., between 9th and 10th avs.

A WAITER MAN WANTED FOR A FIRST-class private family in the City. Call at 149 Grand-st.

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DR. GRIFFIN, NO. 288 GRAND-ST., New-York, opposite Lord & Taylor's, and No. 267 Fulton-st., Brooklyn, are inserting full or partial sets of their improved Artificial Teeth, with or without extracting the roots. Full sets on gold or platina, $25; silver or rubber, $15; partial sets, gold, per tooth, $3; silver or rubber, $1.

AUCTION SALES.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

COPARTNERSHIP.

ADRIAN H. MULLER has this day associated with him his SON and PHILIP R. WILKINS, and has removed from No. 14 Wall-st. to No. 15 Pine-st.
ADRIAN H. MULLER.

NEW-YORK, Dec. 1, 1862.

Referring to the above, the undersigned hereby give notice that they have this day entered into a copartnership under the firm of ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO., for the continuance of a General Auction Business of Real and Personal Estate, Stocks and Bonds, and also for the buying and selling of the same at private sale.

They will also attend to the Appraisement and Division of Estates; to the procuring of Money on Securities and on Bond and Mortgage, and to the renting of houses and stores. Particular attention will be given to the sales of Household Furniture at the residence of owners.

Auction sales of Stocks and Bonds will be held as heretofore, on WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY.

In offering their joint services, the undersigned pledge themselves to be governed by the same fidelity and promptness as heretofore, which pledge, together with their long experience in business, they hope will continue to command a favorable response from their friends and the public.

Their place of business will be at No. 15 Pine-st.
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NEW-YORK, Dec. 1, 1862.

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SPECIAL AND PEREMPTORY SALE OF
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Being the entire balance of stock of Jesse Hadd, Esq., of New-Orleans.

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To be sold at public auction, positively without any reserve,

On WEDNESDAY, Dec. 10, at 10 o'clock.
By HENRY WOOD & CO., Auctioneers,
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The stock comprises in part fine English and Swiss Watches in gold and silver cases, both new and second hand; also a large stock of superior solid Silver Ware, fine English Guns, Pistols, Fancy Goods, rich Gold and Diamond Jewelry, &c., &c., and will be arranged in lots to suit the trade.

Descriptive Catalogues will be ready and the goods on view on Tuesday, Dec. 9.

HENRY D. MINER, Auctioneer.

Salesroom No. 37 Nassau-st., opposite the Post-office.

ARTIST'S SALE.

MINER & SOMERVILLE will sell at auction at the Gallery of JOHN SNEDECOR, No. 765 Broadway, near 9th-st., MONDAY and TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 15, and 16, at 7½ o'clock, the large and valuable collection of

OIL PAINTINGS,

studies, sketches, and pencil drawings, by our eminent American artist,

GEORGE L. BROWN,

comprising over 200 of his finest and most finished works, being those painted by him during his residence in Italy, and forming, in this particular, a collection of unusual interest and attraction to the art-public, and those who admire Italian scenery. Included in the sale is the celebrated picture of the White Mountains, probably the most elaborate and highly finished work from Mr. B's easel. To the drawings, the attention of the public is particularly called, it being a branch of art in which Mr. B. has yet few equals. They are now on exhibition, with catalogues.

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SUPERB GILT AND ORMOLU
ODORS, WORK-BOXES,
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REAL BRONZE CLOCKS,
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TOILET SETS,
BISQUE STATUETTES.

And many other superb French goods just arrived, to be peremptorily sold at auction by EDWARD SCHENCK, THIS DAY and WEDNESDAY, 9th and 10th inst., at 11 o'clock,

AT NO. 889 BROADWAY.

Edward Schenck, Auctioneer.

VALUABLE MACHINERY

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Also, a large variety of Machinery will be sold at auction on THURSDAY, Dec. 11, at 10½ o'clock A. M., at No. 22 Dey-st., where the above can be examined any time previous to the sale, which will be absolute. By order of

T. J. B. SCHENCK,
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GREAT HOLIDAY SALE OF REAL BRONZES.

ELEGANT CLOCKS, RICH VASES, ORMOLU AND GILT GOODS, BISQUE STATUETTES, TOILET SETS, PHOTOGRAPHIC ALBUMS,

and other rich and elegant articles of recent importation, to be sold at auction by DANIEL A. MATHEWS, at his salesroom, No. 68 Nassau-st., near Maiden-lane, On WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY and FRIDAY, Dec. 10, 11, and 12, at 11 o'clock. They are now on exhibition. Catalogues on morning of sale.

GEORGE COOK, Auctioneer.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE OF ELEGANT HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE—TO-DAY, at 11 o'clock, at store, No. 141 Broadway, between Liberty and Cedar sts., a solid rosewood parlor suite, in crimson and maroon brocatel; do. do. in crimson and gold; do. do. in crimson; do. do. in green and black; black-walnut and mahogany suites of various kinds; library and dining-room suites; rosewood etagere, rosewood armoire à glace, centre tables, canterburies, work tables, buffets, extension tables, Turkish lounges and chairs, superb rosewood chamber suites, black-walnut, oak and mahogany chamber suites, hall stands, hall racks, &c., making a complete stock of first-class work, to which the notice of buyers is asked, as the sale is absolute.

J. DONOHUE, Assignee.

N. B.—At 12 o'clock, a superior upright piano-forte.

HENRY H. LEEDS & CO., Auctioneers.

ASSIGNEE'S SALE OF JEWELRY.—HENRY H. LEEDS & CO., will sell at auction on WEDNESDAY, December 10, at 10½ o'clock, at the salesroom, No. 23 Nassau-st.; Assignee's sale of a large and valuable stock of fine Jewelry, Watches, Chains, &c., by order of WESTON & CO., Assignees, being the entire balance of the stock, a portion of which was sold by us November 5, comprising the stock of a large wholesale importer and dealer, to be sold without reserve, to close the concern, consisting of fine gold and silver lever and lepine watches, chains, coral, mosaic, Florentine, lava, garnet, turquoise, enamel and other sets, book and box lockets, sleeve-buttons and studs of every description, chains, ear-rings, set and unset, snaps, &c., &c. The trade and others are particularly invited to examine this valuable stock on the morning of sale, as every article will be positively sold without reserve.

A. S. RICHARDS, Auctioneer.

1,000 CASES BOOTS, SHOES, BROGANS, Cutlery and Leathers, at auction, by RICHARDS & WETTEN, on WEDNESDAY, December 8th, at 10½ o'clock, at the store, No. 44 Cortlandt-st. Comprising in part of men's grain, calf and kip boots; also, boys' and youth's thick and kip boots, of various qualities, and ladies' wear of all kinds. Catalogues on morning of sale.

JOHN H. BURLEY, Auctioneer.

JOHN H. BURLEY WILL SELL THIS day, at 3 o'clock, at No. 444 Canal-st., Bureaus, Sofas, Sofa beds, Lounges, Wardrobes, Chairs, Tables, Carpets, Oil-cloths, Lace Curtains, Beds and Bedding, Cutlery, Plated Ware and Cottage suites.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

100 SHARES NEW-YORK AND HAVRE Steamship Company, $150 each, will be sold at auction by ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO., on SATURDAY, Dec. 13, at 12½ o'clock, at the Merchants' Exchange. Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway.

BY E. T. WILLIS, Auctioneer.

AUCTION NOTICE.—FINE OIL PAINTINGS.—On TUESDAY AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock, at the auction store, No. 47 Murray-st., a collection of fine oil paintings from the best native and foreign artists. Sale positive.

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PROPOSALS.

PROPOSALS FOR INDIAN GOODS.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
OFFICE INDIAN AFFAIRS, Nov. 17, 1862.

Sealed Proposals (subject to "Proposals for Indian Goods") will be received at this office until 12 o'clock M., on Wednesday, the 18th day of December next, for furnishing the following-named articles:

CLASS NO. 1.

Blankets, Cloths, and Dry Goods.

2,000 pairs 3 point white Mackinac blankets, to measure 60 by 72 inches, and weigh 8½ pounds.
1,000 pairs low point white Mackinac blankets, to measure 54 by 66 inches, and weigh 6 pounds.
500 pairs 2½ point white Mackinac blankets, to measure 52 by 60 inches, and weigh 7½ pounds.
600 pairs 1½ point white Mackinac blankets, to measure 48 by 56 inches, and weigh 5½ pounds.
150 pairs 1 point white Mackinac blankets, to measure 42 by 50 inches, and weigh 4½ pounds.
1,200 pairs 3 point scarlet Mackinac blankets, to measure 64 by 72 inches, and weigh 9 pounds.
700 pairs 2½ point scarlet Mackinac blankets, to measure 58 by 68 inches, and weigh 8 pounds.
150 pairs 2 point scarlet Mackinac blankets, to measure 52 by 64 inches, and weigh 7 pounds.
100 pairs 1 point scarlet Mackinac blankets, to measure 46 by 56 inches, and weigh 5½ pounds.
200 pairs 3 point indigo blue Mackinac blankets, to measure 64 by 72 inches, and weigh 9 pounds.
600 pairs 2½ point indigo blue Mackinac blankets, to measure 58 by 68 inches, and weigh 8 pounds.
700 pairs 2 point indigo blue Mackinac blankets, to measure 52 by 64 inches, and weigh 7 pounds.
300 pairs 1½ point gentilla blue Mackinac blankets, to measure 46 by 56 inches, and weigh 5½ pounds.
200 pairs 1 point gentilla blue Mackinac blankets, to measure 42 by 50 inches, and weigh 4½ pounds.
2,000 yards fancy list blue cloth.
4,000 yards gray list blue cloth.
2,000 yards gray list black cloth.
1,000 yards sawed list black cloth.
4,000 yards sawed list blue cloth.
2,000 yards sawed list scarlet cloth.
500 pounds 4-4 woolen worsted.
500 pounds linen thread, No. 40.
1,200 pounds cotton thread.
50 gross worsted garnering.
25,000 yards calico.
5,000 yards Merrimac calico.
5,000 yards Turkey red calico.
25,000 yards blue drilling.
20,000 yards brown drilling.
30,000 yards bedticking.
5,000 yards satinette.
20,000 yards plaid linsey.
25,000 yards unbleached domestic sheeting.
2,500 yards bleached sheeting.
10,000 yards check, stripe and plaids.
10,000 yards Canvas, assorted.
2,000 pounds brown gilling twine, No. 25.
800 pounds cotton batting.
2,500 twilled flannel shirts.
500 dozen hickory shirts.
2,000 calico shirts.
300 dozen Canadian belts.

CLASS NO. 2.

Ready-made Clothing.

200 blue mixture pantaloons.
200 blue satinett coats.
50 cadet red mixed satinett coats.
250 cadet mixed satinett pantaloons.
175 frock coats, indigo blue, broadcloth.
100 pantaloons, indigo blue, broadcloth.
300 satinett coats, trimmed with red.

CLASS NO. 3.

Hardware, Agricultural Implements, &c.

2,700 pounds bruel kettles.
40 nests japanned kettles, (3 in a nest.)
500 camp kettles 3 sizes.
300 dozen two-quart tin pans.
800 dozen 4-quart tin pans.
400 dozen 6-quart tin pans.
700 dozen tin cups.
1,200 dozen squaw-awls.
1,800 dozen fish-hooks.
750 dozen fish-lines.
250 dozen coarse-tooth combs.
117 dozen fine-tooth combs.
600 dozen looking-glasses.
600 dozen shears.
100 dozen weeding hoes.
250 dozen hand saw files, 4½ inches.
40 dozen spades.
2,000 pounds assorted tacky pans.
75 dozen tasting spoons.
1,400 dozen table spoons (iron.)
60 dozen axes, to weigh 4½ to 5½ pounds.
60 dozen half axes, to weigh 3 pounds, (with handles.)
100 dozen zinc mirrors.
50 dozen fire steels.
300 pounds brass wire.
250 pounds best Chinese vermillion.
200 pounds seed beads.
200 dozen butcher-knives.
100 dozen scalping-knives.
230 dozen squaw hatchets.
12 dozen 6½-inch flat files.
20,000 pounds tobacco.

CLASS NO. 4.

Guns, Ammunition, &c.

600 rifles, cap-lock, (half ounce ball.)
200 shot-guns, (double barrel.)
150 kegs powder.
1,000,000 water-proof caps.
700 bags Graid balls.
200 flasks.
200 belts.
400 powder-horns.
8,000 flints.
200 dozen gun nipples.
300 wrenches.

Goods of American manufacture, of the required styles and quality, will be preferred; but, as the samples of blankets and cloths are foreign fabrics, it will be necessary, in proposing a dom

FINANCIAL.

U. S. SEVEN-THIRTY LOAN.

THREE YEARS.

SIX PER CENT. INTEREST, PAYABLE SEMI-ANNUALLY.

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY OFFERS FOR SALE AT PAR, THROUGH JAY COOKE, AGENT, THE BALANCE OF THE ISSUE OF $200,000,000 AUTHORIZED BY THE ACT OF CONGRESS APPROVED MARCH 3, 1863.

THESE NOTES ARE DATED AUGUST 19, 1863, AND ARE PAYABLE IN THREE YEARS FROM THAT DATE, IN COIN, WITH INTEREST AT THE RATE OF SEVEN-THIRTY HUNDREDTHS OF A DOLLAR PER DAY ON EACH ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS, EQUAL TO SIX PER CENT. PER ANNUM, PAYABLE ON THE 1ST DAY OF MAY AND NOVEMBER IN EACH YEAR.

THE NOTES ARE ISSUED IN DENOMINATIONS OF $50, $100, $500, $1,000, $5,000 AND $10,000.

THE INTEREST ON THESE NOTES IS AT THE RATE OF 6 PER CENT. PER ANNUM, PAYABLE IN GOLD, AT THE RATE OF 7 3-10 PER CENT. PER ANNUM, CURRENCY.

THE NOTES ARE ENTITLED TO THE SINKING FUND OF 1 PER CENT. PER ANNUM, IN ADDITION TO THE INTEREST, AND ARE EXEMPT FROM THE PAYMENT OF ALL TAXES OR DUTIES IMPOSED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE UNITED STATES, INCLUDING THE INCOME TAX.

THE NOTES ARE CONVERTIBLE AT THE OPTION OF THE HOLDER INTO SIX PER CENT. GOLD BONDS, REDEEMABLE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE GOVERNMENT AFTER FIVE YEARS, AND PAYABLE TWENTY YEARS FROM THEIR DATE.

THE COUPON NOTES ARE ISSUED IN SUMS OF $50, $100, $500 AND $1,000.

THE REGISTERED NOTES IN SUMS OF $500, $1,000, $5,000 AND $10,000.

THE PRIVILEGE OF EXCHANGING THE DIFFERENT CLASSES OF SECURITIES FROM DATE OF SUBSCRIPTION WILL BE ALLOWED AT PAR.

SUBSCRIPTIONS WILL BE RECEIVED AND ALL INFORMATION FURNISHED BY THE NATIONAL BANKS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY, AND BY THE UNDERSIGNED, AGENT OF THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT, IN NEW-YORK CITY.

JAY COOKE,
AGENT OF THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

SUBSCRIPTIONS RECEIVED AT PAR AND ACCRUED INTEREST TO DATE OF PURCHASE.

DELIVERY OF BONDS WILL COMMENCE FROM DATE OF PURCHASE.

The Interest on these Notes is at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum, payable the 1st of May and November in each year, at the present rate of exchange on Gold is equivalent to 7 3-10 per Cent. per Annum.

The Government Securities are now held by the Banks as the basis of their circulation, and pay the largest interest on their deposits.

They are declared to become the best known, most popular and most AVAILABLE of all the bonds of the Government.

They are the bonds upon which the government now relies, through the confidence and patriotism of the people, for continued financial support.

We have taken for sale the above Government Investment in them and could have placed the whole amount before the public, and every dollar thereof in them through its contributors to the financial resources and support of the government.

FISK & HATCH,
BANKERS, AND DEALERS in all issues of Government and other desirable securities,
No. 38 WALL-ST.

Interest supplied. Collections made. Loans negotiated. Government Vouchers bought, sold, collected, &c.

VERMILYE & CO.,
No. 44 WALL-ST.,

Have on hand for immediate delivery, the
TWENTY-YEAR SIX PER CENT. BONDS
OF THE UNITED STATES, designated as the "FIVE-TWENTIES," redeemable at the pleasure of the Government after five years, and authorized by Act of Congress, Feb. 25, 1862.

The COUPON BONDS are issued in sums of
$50, $100, $500 and $1,000.
The REGISTERED BONDS in sums of
$500, $1,000, $5,000 and $10,000.

The interest on these Bonds is payable from DATE of SUBSCRIPTION, and is PAYABLE IN GOLD, at the Mint, or any Sub-Treasury or Depositary of the United States, on the 1st days of May and November of each year. At the present premium on Gold the BONDS YIELD ABOUT SEVEN PER CENT. PER ANNUM.

The ample provision made by Custom duties, Excise and Internal Revenue for the payment of interest and liquidation of the principal, makes an investment in the LOAN RIPE, PROFITABLE and AVAILABLE as a permanent Loan, into which the Legal Tender Notes are convertible, it will become the PRINCIPAL LOAN in the market, and is regarded as peculiarly favorable for the investment of the Sinking Funds of Corporations, as well as the Earnings of the Individual.

Subscriptions received at PAR in LEGAL TENDER NOTES, or NOTES and CHEQUES of BANKS AT PAR IN NEW-YORK. Subscribers by mail will receive prompt attention, and every facility and consideration will be afforded on application at our office.

Also, FOR SALE at highest market rates, 7 3-10 TREASURY NOTES, SIX PER CENT. BONDS of 1881, and ALL OTHER SIX PER CENT. CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS.

JEFFERSONVILLE RAILROAD FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS.

OFFICE OF THE JEFFERSONVILLE RAILROAD CO.,
JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., Dec. 1, 1862.

Notice is hereby given that the Coupons maturing on the 1st day of January next, at the United States Trust Company, New-York City, at the lowest offer below par, a part of its First Mortgage Bonds, agreeable to the provisions of a contract made between this Company and the Holders of said Mortgage Bonds, bearing date April 14, 1856. Offers for the sale of said Bonds may be addressed, under seal, to the United States Trust Company aforesaid, and endorsed, "Offer of the First Mortgage Bond or Bonds of the Jeffersonville Railroad Company to the Sinking Fund," which offers or bids will be received until noon of the second day of January next.

J. H. McCAMPBELL,
Secretary and Treasurer.

NOTICE TO BONDHOLDERS.

OFFICE CLEVELAND AND TOLEDO RAILROAD CO.,
CLEVELAND, Ohio, Sept. 20, 1862.

The Company is now prepared to pay at the office of Messrs. Vermilye & Co., No. 44 Wall-st., New-York, the following Bonds, with accrued interest, viz.:
Junction Railroad, 2d Mortgage Bonds, due Nov. 1, 1863.
Toledo, Norwalk and Cleveland 1st Mortgage Bonds, due Aug. 1, 1863.
Toledo, Norwalk and Cleveland 2d Mortgage Bonds, due Aug. 1, 1863.
Cleveland and Toledo Income Bonds, due Sept. 1, 1863.

The privilege of exchanging the different classes of outstanding Bonds of this Company for the Sinking Fund Bonds, with coupons from and after October, 1863, will cease from and after that date. The coupons on Sinking Fund Bonds will be paid as heretofore at the Corn Exchange Bank, deducting 3 per cent. Government tax.

JOHN GARDINER, President.

U. S.
SEVEN-THIRTY LOAN.
FOR SALE.

These Bonds, bear 6 per cent. interest, payable semi-annually in gold, commencing from date of subscription. We are prepared to deliver them without delay in denominations of 50s, 100s, 500s and 1,000s, (Coupon or registered,) as put, for current funds.

Payments made through us contribute directly to the aid of the Government.

Orders, by mail or otherwise, will receive immediate attention.

JAY CUTLER & CO.,
No. 25 Wall-st., New-York.
Bankers and Dealers in Securities.

CITY BANK OF BROOKLYN, DEC. 1, 1862.

At the Annual Meeting of Stockholders held this day, the following persons were unanimously elected Directors of the City Bank of Brooklyn, for the ensuing year:

CHARLES STANTON, GARRETT C. BERGEN,
C. V. FULLER, C. C. DUBOIS,
MOSES BOREM, SEYMOUR BURRELL,
SAMUEL OSBORNE, PETER DuBAUN,
ANTHONY P. GWYNNE, ROBT. P. PERRIN,
HENRY D. YOUNG, SMITH PANCHER,
THOS. H. HUSSEY, WM. M. THOMAS,
JOHN J. SUDAM.

And Edwin K. Jamison, Charles Condit and John Williams were elected Inspectors of the next annual election.

At a subsequent meeting of Directors, JOHN J. STUDWELL was unanimously elected President, Charles Stanton declining a reelection.

SAMUEL OSBORNE was also unanimously elected Vice-President.

A. G. ALLEN, Cashier.

J. B. GREENMAN,
(Late firm of DATERS & CO.,) No. 69 Wall-st., New-York. Special attention given to the books and personal business of country and absent merchants.

REFERENCES.
Daniel S. Miller, Dater, Clarke & Co.,
Thomas H. Faile, Jesse P. March.

STOCKS AT PRIVATE SALE.

$15,000 Brooklyn City 7 Per cent. Improvement Bonds.
200 shs. Brooklyn Gas Company Scrip.
50 shs. Long Island Bank.
Apply to
ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. E. WILKINS & CO.,
No. 5½ Pine-st.

BROWN BROTHERS & CO.,
NO. 59 WALL-ST.,
ISSUE COMMERCIAL CREDITS AND TRAVELLERS' CREDITS FOR USE IN THIS COUNTRY AND ABROAD.

Custom of THE JEFFERSONVILLE R. R. Co.,
JEFFERSONVILLE, Ind., Nov. 17, 1862.

NOTICE TO HOLDERS OF JEFFERSONVILLE R. R. CO.'S FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS.—Public notice is hereby given, in accordance with the terms of an agreement between the Jeffersonville Railroad Company and the holders of the First Mortgage Bonds, dated April 14, 1856, that the United States Trust Company of New-York will, upon presentation at their office, No. 49 Wall-st., redeem on or after said interest, fifty of said Bonds, being the number drawn by the First Mortgage Bondholders' Committee, viz.: Nos. 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100 and 101, being the lowest outstanding numbers.

These Bonds will be paid on and after the 20th day of December, 1862, at which time all coupons will cease to draw interest, and will be payable at the office of said Company.

J. H. McCAMPBELL, Secretary.
New-York, Nov. 22, 1862.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, TREASURER'S OFFICE,
SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 6, 1862.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the State of Illinois will, on and after the first Monday of January, 1863, be ready at the American Exchange Bank, New-York, to pay the interest maturing on the first Monday of January, 1863, on the public debt of the State of Illinois.

The interest then due and not called for, after to the 1st day of January, 1863, will thereafter be paid only at the office of the Treasurer, at the State Capital of Illinois, in the City of Springfield.

WILLIAM BUTLER, Treasurer.

Holders of Illinois and Michigan Canal Bonds, where coupons are exhausted, are reminded of the above notice.

WILLIAM BUTLER, Treasurer.

NEW-YORK LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY,
Office, No. 149 and 151 Chambers-st., New-York, Nov. 26, 1862.

THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THIS COMPANY are hereby notified, that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders will be held at their office, on TUESDAY, the 16th day of December next, at 3 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing a Board of Trustees, and the transaction of other business pertaining to the interests of the Company.

WM. JACKSON, Sec.

NOTICE.—THE FOLLOWING CERTIFICATES OF STOCK in the Michigan Central Railroad Company, standing in the name of MARY M. LOCKWOOD, of Detroit, Mich., have been lost, viz.: No. 1,231, for ten shares, issued from Boston Office; No. 1,499, for sixty shares, and No. 3,128, for five shares, issued from New-York office. All persons are cautioned against receiving the same, the transfer thereof having been stopped.

BROOKLYN CENTRAL AND JAMAICA RAILROAD COMPANY.—The bonds of this Company payable on the 15th inst., and also those payable one year thereafter, will be paid, par and interest, on presentation at the office of A. G. JEROME & CO., No. 20 Exchange-place.

F. A. VANDERHOOF,
No. 24 Wall-st., opposite Merchants' Exchange.
STOCKS bought and sold exclusively on commission at one-eighth per cent.
MONEY loaned on Stocks and Bonds.

STOCKS, BONDS, GOLD AND GOVERNMENT SECURITIES,
Bought and sold at Board of Brokers,
By A. G. MEMINWAY & CO.
No. 53 Exchange-place.

MILWAUKEE CITY READJUSTMENT BONDS.—Coupons due Jan. 1 next, will be paid on and after that date on presentation at the office of
W. SCHALL & CO., Nos. 58 and 60 Exchange-place.

SACRAMENTO CITY AND COUNTY SIX PER CENT. BONDS WANTED, by ALBERT H. NICOLAY, No. 52 William-st.

CALIFORNIA COUPONS BOUGHT AND Collected by AUGUST BELMONT & CO., 63 Wall-st.

FOR SALE.—ONE COACH, NEW; COST $800, will sell for $500. Also, harness, carriage, &c., &c. Also, spring wagon, as good as new, a lot of Cocoa matting, &c., &c. J. S. YERS, No. 263 Nassau-st.

DIVIDENDS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FIRST HALF-YEARLY DIVIDEND OF THE NEW-YORK VALLEY RAILROAD COMPANY, of SEVEN PER CENT. per annum, payable at the office of the Company, No. 49 Wall-st., New-York, on and after MONDAY, the 15th day of December, 1862, at the office of the Treasurer, in the City of Middletown, Orange County, N. Y.

Under the provisions of the lease to the New-York and Erie Railroad Company, the dividend will be paid in gold coin, free from tax, at the rate of $7 00 per share, on the stock registered in the name of ALEXANDER HAMILTON, JR., No. 49 Wall-st., Treasurer.

Transfer books will be closed from the 10th December, 1862, to the 15th December, 1862, both inclusive.

ERIE AND NEW-YORK CITY RAILWAY COMPANY,
No. 241 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 4, 1862.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE THIS DAY declared a Dividend of Two and One-half per Cent. out of the profits of the Company, payable on and after FRIDAY, the 19th of December instant.

The transfer books are now closed, and will remain closed until the morning of the 16th inst.

By order of the Board,
ISAAC N. SEYMOUR, Treasurer.

SEVENTH WARD BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 6, 1862.

FIFTY-SIXTH DIVIDEND.—THE PRESIDENT and Directors have declared a Dividend of Five (5) Per Cent., free from tax, payable on demand, being in anticipation of the usual January dividend.

By order of the Board.
E. S. FRASER, Cashier.

OFFICE OF THE KNICKERBOCKER ICE COMPANY,
No. 425 Canal-st., NEW-YORK, Nov. 20, 1862.

DIVIDEND.—THE KNICKERBOCKER ICE COMPANY will pay a dividend of Five Per Cent. to the Stockholders on and after Dec. 15. The transfer books will be closed from the 1st to the 10th inst., inclusive.

THEO. BROWNING, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE HOWARD INSURANCE COMPANY,
NEW-YORK, Nov. 20, 1862.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE THIS day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of Eight (8) Per Cent. upon the capital stock of the Company, (free of the Government tax,) payable at their office No. 40 Wall-st. on and after Monday, Dec. 1, 1862.

HENRY A. OAKLEY, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE NORTH AMERICAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, No. 4 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, Dec. 3, 1862.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS HAVE THIS DAY declared a Semi-annual Interest Dividend of Four (4) Per Cent., payable on demand. Free of Government tax.

R. W. BLEECKER, Secy.

SAVINGS BANKS

THIRD-AVENUE SAVINGS BANK,
Corner 3d-av. and 26th-st.
Chartered 1854.

Six per cent. interest allowed.
DEPOSITS MADE ON OR BEFORE JAN. 1 WILL DRAW INTEREST FROM THAT DATE.

Bank open daily from 10 to 3; also on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday Evenings from 6 to 8 o'clock.

SPENCER R. GREEN, President.
ARCHIBUS F. LEE, Secretary.

IRVING SAVINGS INSTITUTION—No. 28 Warren-st.—Interest allowed at the rate of 6 per cent. on sums from $1 to $300, and 5 per cent. on sums over that amount. Open Daily from 10 A. M. to 2 P. M. Also on Monday, Thursday and Saturday evening, from 4 to 7 P. M. R.—Money to loan on Bond and Mortgage.

WALTER W. CONCKLIN, President.
VANDERBILT L. BUXTON, Secretary.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands affected thereby, that the following assessments have been completed and are lodged in the office of the Board of Assessors for examination by all persons interested, viz.: For regulating and grading, setting curb and gutter in Chamber and James slip, between Chatham-street and the East River, with the cross or intersecting streets. The limits embraced by such assessment, include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land, situated on both sides of Chamber-street, between Chatham-street and James-slip, on the east side of Chatham-street, between Pearl and North William-street, on both sides of William-street between Pearl and North William streets, on both sides of Rose-st. between Pearl and Frankfort-street, on both sides of Dunne-street between Rose and William streets, on both sides of Madison-street between Pearl-street and New-Bowery, on both sides of Chestnut-street, between Madison and Oak-street, on both sides of Oak-street between Chestnut-street and James-street, on both sides of Roosevelt-street, between Baisley's and New-Bowery, on both sides of Baisley's-street between Roosevelt and James streets, on both sides of James-street and James-slip between Baisley and South streets, on both sides of Cherry and Water street between Oliver and Roosevelt streets, on west side of South-street between Roosevelt and Oliver streets. All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing, to one of the undersigned, at their office, No. 23 Chambers-street, basement new Court-house, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

CHAS. McNEILL,
JACOB F. OAKLEY,
WM. A. DOOLEY,
Board of Assessors.
OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,
New Court-House, Dec. 6, 1862.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands, affected thereby, that the following assessments have been completed and are lodged in the office of the Board of Assessors for examination by all persons interested, viz.: For building a sewer in Washington-street, from forty feet north of Bank to Bethune-street; and for sewer in Fifty-second-street, from Eighth-avenue to one hundred feet west of Broadway. The limits embraced by such assessment, include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land, situated on both sides of Washington-street, between Bank and Bethune streets, and on both sides of Fifty-second-street, between Broadway and Eighth-avenue.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing, to one of the undersigned, at their office, No. 23 Chambers-street, basement new Court-house, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

CHAS. McNEILL,
JACOB F. OAKLEY,
WM. A. DOOLEY,
Board of Assessors.
OFFICE, BOARD OF ASSESSORS,
New Court-House, Dec. 6, 1862.

THE COMMITTEE ON SEWERS OF THE Board of Aldermen will meet every WEDNESDAY at 2 o'clock P. M., in Room No. 6, City Hall. Parties interested in any matter before the Committee will have an opportunity of being heard.

T. FARLEY,
ISAAC A. ALLEN,
C. A. JEREMIAH,
Committee on Sewers.

THE COMMITTEE ON FIRE DEPARTMENT of the Board of Aldermen will meet every SATURDAY, at 2 o'clock, in the City Library Room, City Hall.

ALEX. FREAR,
ISAAC A. ALLEN,
WILLIAM WALSH,
Committee on Fire Department.

THE COMMITTEE ON DONATIONS AND Charities of the Board of Councilmen will meet on TUESDAY, 9th inst., at 2 o'clock P. M., in Room No. 5, City Hall.

ALEXANDER H. KERR,
GEORGE ROSS,
GEORGE A. BARNEY,
Committee.

OFFICE OF THE RECEIVER OF TAXES.—Notice is hereby given that all taxes remaining unpaid on the 1st day of December next will be charged with one per cent., and all taxes remaining unpaid on the 16th day of December next with two per cent., and on the 1st day of January next at the rate of twelve per cent. per annum from the 22d day of September, 1862.

JAMES KELLY, Receiver.

BUSINESS CHANCES.

LUMBER-YARD FOR SALE.—THE STOCK, fixtures, good-will and real estate of a well-established lumber-yard, doing a good business, for sale on easy terms; or, the yard to be leased, if preferred. A rare chance for any one desirous of engaging in a paying business. Apply personally or by letter, to the subscriber, on the premises, foot of 136th-st. and North River, Manhattanville, N. Y.

W. DUMMING.

A MERCHANT, AT PRESENT OUT OF business, is open to propositions for his services, together with a good capital. Replies, to insure attention, must be underscored name; and should the line of business not meet his views, will be returned. If so desired. Address L. M. H., Box No. 116 Times Office.

TO DRUGGISTS.—FOR SALE, (A SPLENDID chance for a good druggist,) a drug store, well stocked with a good assortment of pure drugs and patent medicines, doing a first-rate business, situated in a pleasant village, eight miles from New-York. Inquire at No. 351 Broadway.

FOR SALE.—ENGLISH SHADES, WITH A large size billiard room and oyster saloon attached; doing a good business; the proprietor is obliged to give up business on account of ill health. For particulars apply to A. C. STANTON, No. 250 Broadway, up stairs.

TO CAPITALISTS.—WANTED A PARTY TO join the advertiser in the manufacturing of two articles, of which $1,000,00 worth can be sold annually at a great profit. Only capitalists and men of standing treated with. Address CHEMIST, Times Office.

FOR SALE—ON ACCOUNT OF SICKNESS, A small factory, manufacturing an article selling for cash, for good, full cost of the worth of the same. Apply at 74 6 South 3d-st., Williamsburgh, Long Island.

AMUSEMENTS.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC—TO-NIGHT—NORMA.

THIS EVENING, THEATRE PRICES, 50 CENTS.
POSITIVELY LAST WEEK OF THE SEASON.
LAST NIGHT BUT TWO OF THE OPERA.

The overflowing house at theatre prices on Thursday night has induced the Manager to give a second performance at the same price

TO-NIGHT, (TUESDAY,) Dec. 9,
When will be performed Bellini's grand opera of
NORMA

LORINI.....Norma | MORENSI.....Adalgisa
MACCAFERRI.....Pollione | SUSINI.....Oroveso
Conductor and Musical Director.....J. GRAU.

Admission, 50 cents to parquet, dress circle, boxes, and 25 cents to the gallery. Reserved seats 50 cents extra.

SPECIAL NOTICE.—Mr. Grau wishes it to be distinctly understood that the extra nights will be given with the same completeness, as regards the Cast, Orchestra and Chorus, as on the regular Opera nights. The arrangements as to the reserving of seats, as well as to the seating of the audience, will likewise be exactly the same.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC—BALLO IN MASCHERA.

POSITIVELY LAST WEEK OF THE SEASON.
LAST NIGHT BUT ONE OF THE OPERA.
TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY) EVENING, Dec. 10,
For the first time on the same evening—the three Prima Donnas.

GUERRABELLA.....CORDIER.....MORENSI,

when will be produced for this night only, Verdi's
IL BALLO IN MASCHERA,
with the following immense cast:

GUERRABELLA.....Amelia | CORDIER.....Oscar
MORENSI.....Ulrica | BRIGNOLI.....Richard
AMODIO.....Reinhart | BARILI.....Tom | DURREUL.....Samuel

ON SATURDAY NEXT, LAST GRAND MATINEE.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC—LAST MATINEE.

SATURDAY, DEC. 13, AT ONE O'CLOCK,
LAST GRAND MATINEE.
The company leaves next week for Philadelphia.

GERMAN OPERA HOUSE,
No. 499 BROADWAY.

TUESDAY EVENING, Dec. 9,
GRAND VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL CONCERT
OF
Mr. S. B. MILLS,
Who will be assisted by the following artists:
MADAME JOHANNSEN,
HERR WEINLICH,
THE ARION SOCIETY,
AND THE
GRAND ORCHESTRA OF THE GERMAN OPERA.
Conductor.....Carl Anschutz

Tickets to be had at all the principal music stores, and at the door on the evening of the concert.

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From the New-York Herald.

At Laura Keene's, the fairy play of "Blondette, or the Naughty Prince and the Pretty Peasant," draws fine houses, and will probably run through the holidays. We repeat our former remarks, that the scenery and ballet of this play are magnificent. The piece is very funny, full of pretty women, beautiful dancing and gorgeous scenery, and is well worth seeing.

From the Sunday Dispatch.

At Laura Keene's "Blondette" has been so improved, that it has become one of the most acceptable performances of recent times. In the several departments a unity of action has been engendered which has led to a perfect ensemble; and we now unhesitatingly pronounce "Blondette," to be the finest spectacular drama Miss Keene has given us. In its every scene and act, we have seen nothing but what is highly artistic. In one previous article, we have spoken as fully as we do not intend in terms of eulogy the highly artistic manner in which Mr. Baker has arranged the music of this capital extravaganza.

A feature peculiar to the management of Miss Keene is the fact that her care and solicitude in catering for the public taste do not cease or even relax with the success or production of a drama, but are actively continued from night to night during every night of its representation, until the perfection at which she aims is at nearly reached as the materials—and, indeed, all the materials—within her reach; or the reach of lavish expenditure, will permit. In a sense looking to a correct result, the pencil or brush is again applied. In the meantime, over the mechanical appliances until to perform that which is required, new machinery and appurtenances—no matter at what cost—are supplied as soon as the defect can be remedied. In the language at variance with good taste, of open black power, a judicious alteration follows, until at last we find that nearness to perfection to which we have referred.

The scenery of "Blondette" is truly magnificent; more so than any which we recollect to have seen in any place. Mr. Richard Lewis, the artist, seems to have drawn to the utmost of his ability, on the resources of his art, while Miss Keene has aided him by the most lavish expenditure.

From the Saturday Courier.

"Blondette," at Laura Keene's seems to please folks, and everybody laughs at the tricks and transformations, and applauds the really beautiful scenery.

It goes along very smoothly now, and a medley dust, sung with charming effect, in the second act, by Mrs Sedley Brown and Miss Burke, is the best thing in the piece.

From the Sunday Times.

LAURA KEENE'S THEATRE.—The new fairy spectacle of "Blondette" is a great success, as it deserves to be, and draws every night crowded and delighted audiences. No piece has ever been produced on the American stage at all equal to it in beautiful scenery, costumes and appointments, all of which are of so novel and striking a character that they do not weary the eye or pall upon the imagination. Like a mere collection of colors and crystallizations. Only a woman could have ever imagined anything so exquisite as the Palace of Lace, with its dancing nymphs, or the glittering Hall of Diamonds, with its radiant occupants. The story which serves as a link to connect these marvels is also not without cleverness, and has just enough of witty localisms and good music to be thoroughly enjoyable. There is a vein of genuine poetry in the ideas of the Hours, and especially in the invocation addressed to them by Prince Merlin, which is really charming. We advise everybody to celebrate the holidays by going to see "Blondette."

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NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

The Proceedings of Congress Growing in Importance.

Numerous Petitions for a Bankrupt Law.

The Suspension of the Habeas Corpus.

Passage of the Bill to Indemnify the President and Others.

A New Way Proposed for the Election of President and Vice-President.

OUR SPECIAL WASHINGTON DISPATCHES.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Dec. 8.

THE COMMITTEE OF WAYS AND MEANS.

The Committee of Ways and Means to-day held a protracted session for the consideration at length of the report of the Secretary of the Treasury. The committee are disposed to allow the Secretary's estimate of finance to be fully carried out, except the appeal for the Banks, and will not, either by bill or otherwise, propose any further issue of Treasury notes. They profess a willingness to give the Secretary's bill a fair trial. In regard to the Banking scheme, the majority of the Committee is opposed to it. In the House, as well as in the Committee, as we stated last night, the project will meet with decided, but to my mind, opposition.

THE TAX BILL.

THADDEUS STEVENS, to-day, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported sundry important amendments to the Tax bill.

A BANKRUPT LAW.

Some fifteen Senators to-day presented petitions from various States, praying for a uniform bankrupt law. This important bill being the special order to-day, Senator FESSEN asked for its reading and postponement till the 15th inst., at which time he gave notice that he will insist upon action until it shall be definitely disposed of.

OUR SECRET WELL KEPT.

The general anxiety of Congressmen and Senators, as well as of people less well informed, to ascertain the destination of the Banks Expedition, seems good evidence that one movement of our forces, at least, has been made without the publicity as to its special purpose which so generally anticipates all our military operations. Whether the rebels are any better advised than the people of the loyal States, we shall soon know, and we trust that events will speedily be allowed to remove the injunction now resting upon us, and that we shall be allowed to enlighten the readers of the TIMES upon a matter of such momentous interest.

GOOD FOR THE NAVY.

It appears from information derived from the Navy Department, that the proceeds from seizures which have been made by the Navy amount to about forty million dollars; nearly enough to defray the entire expenses of the Department, thereby making it self-sustaining. The amount expended last year was forty-one millions.

A SIGNIFICANT RESOLUTION.

The following resolution, introduced to-day by Senator WILSON, of Massachusetts, is significant of the practical spirit in which Congress approaches the business of the session:

Resolved, That the Secretary of War be directed to report for the information of the Senate the number and rank of the Major and Brigadier-Generals in the service of the United States, and where and how they are employed.

THE TRAUX PROPOSITION GARARD.

It is suggested in the TIMES of Friday, the pretended peace proposition from Richmond, which have been invested with such importance by a cotemporary journal, are a rehash of the absurd fabrications given to the public some weeks since, and which ordered all their claims to attention then from having been published in a respectable journal, upon which they were mischievously imposed. Their reappearance now in another quarter and modified form, adds nothing to their importance; and it will only be necessary for us to repeat our original statement, which we do upon the best authority, that no such propositions have ever been presented to the Government; and that no overtures for amnesty or peace can, under any circumstances, be received, coming from rebels in arms against the constituted authorities of the Republic.

The character of the pretended Envoy, and the re-production of his "little joke" at this time, leads to the belief that the operation is part of a scheme concocted by the rebels South and their allies North, for the purpose of placing the Administration in a false position before the country and the world; and it is considered to be a matter of regret that any loyal journal should allow itself to be made an instrument in the hands of the authors for the execution of their mischievous designs.

RELIEF FOR THE CONTRABANDS.

Messrs. GOODE, ODELL and COVODE, of the Committee on the Conduct of the War, yesterday and last night carried out a plan of relief for the sufferers in the Contraband Camp, deserving of great praise. After procuring from Gens. HALLECK and STANTON an order freeing their action from the embarrassments of red tape, they procured half-a-dozen Surgeons from the office of the Surgeon General, together with the necessary wagons and ambulances, and about ten o'clock at night proceeded to the camp on their errand of mercy. By morning they had succeeded in transferring a thousand of the worst cases to the various Hospitals here, and providing the rest with wood and other requisites for comfort. The fault which has occasioned so much suffering in this camp—and four men, we learn, perished yesterday there from exposure and neglect—is repudiated by the Medical Department, and laid at the door of the Quartermasters, who thus have another grave accusation added to the many already made against them.

THE EXCHANGE OF SOLDIERS.

The House Military Committee met to day, and discussed the resolution in regard to facilitating the exchange of soldiers. They have called for the return of the Secretary of War and the Surgeon-General, with suggestions as to the necessity of legislation.

GEN. MCCLELLAN.

Gen. MCCLELLAN'S delay in obeying the summons to Washington in consequence of the fact that he is to testify in both Courts, and is awaiting till both are ready to receive his evidence. He is expected to-morrow, as usual.

REFUGEES FROM FREDERICKSBURGH.

A number of refugees are here from Fredericksburgh, their families still being within the rebel lines. A delegation waited on the President to-day, in relation to procuring passes with which to transfer them to a loyal community, many of them being in a state of absolute starvation. The President gave them a letter to the Secretary of War, asking him to grant the request, if not inconsistent with military usage. An interview with the Secretary is expected to-morrow.

GEN. WADSWORTH.

Gen. WADSWORTH returned to Washington this morning.

NOMINATIONS.

The President sent to the Senate to-day a number of nominations, among which were twelve Assistant Adjutant-Generals, and the name of HERMAN TUPPER, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Consul at Martinique. There was a short Executive Session, in which the nominations were referred to appropriate Committees.

GOVERNMENT CLEMENCY.

Senator WILKINSON'S Resolution calling for the facts in relation to the Indian outrages in Minnesota, was accompanied by a brief but telling speech, made up principally of facts recited to show the barbarous practices of the savage insurgents. From these facts, he deduced an argument in favor of the execution of the sentences of death passed upon the leaders of the Indian insurrection, and drew reasons for a belief that if the Government exercised its power to remit the sentence of death, the sentence would be executed by the incensed people in violation of the forms of law.

It is to be hoped that the Government will give this question the consideration which it demands as a precedent; for if the ignorant savages who have been inspired by their wrongs with this spirit of vengeance, are to suffer extreme penalties, we insist that the white barbarians now in rebellion, and who, having no wrongs to resent, have been guilty of atrocities equal in spirit and a hundred-fold more numerous, shall not be spared the punishment due their crimes. These latter, too, besides "sinning against light and knowledge" in their own direct acts, have been to a great extent the cause of the Indian troubles; and are, in this sense, more guilty than the irresponsible tools they employed.

ARREST FOR SELLING A PASS TO THE ARMY.

R. B. HEOTT was yesterday arrested and sent to the Old Capitol, for selling a pass to the Army of the Potomac. Traffic in passes is not uncommon—five dollars being a sort of agreed price for the coveted document, while the purchaser is compelled to abandon his own identity in order to use it. HEOTT'S pass expired on the 2d of December, but he added twenty days by changing the date, and sold it for seven dollars. The purchaser was an old gentleman from Vermont, who was anxious to visit a sick son in the army. HEOTT, on being arrested, secretly tore up the pass, but the pieces were collected, and preserved as evidence against him.

A CORRECTION.

We were in error in stating that the person named RAMSEY, lately confined in the Old Capitol, (and released on Friday last,) is a son of Gov. RAMSEY, of Minnesota. The Governor has no son, and the person in question is in no way related to his family.

REBEL DESERTERS.

Several deserters from the rebel army at Fredericksburgh were sent here last week from Falmouth, by order of Gen. BURNSIDE, and by the Provost-Marshal were sent to the Old Capitol Prison.

APPOINTMENTS IN NAVAL SERVICE.

The *Navy Register* shows that acting officers have been appointed by the Secretary of the Navy under the Act of 1861, to the number of 1,070, and that the aggregate pay amounts to about $2,000,000. These appointments are not sent to the Senate for confirmation. The following bill has been reported from the Naval Committee looking to a correction of this evil.

A BILL

relating to appointments in the naval service:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,

That hereafter all appointments in the volunteer naval service of the United States shall be submitted to the Senate for confirmation, in the same way and manner as appointments in the regular navy are required to be, and all such appointments hitherto made, which shall not have been confirmed by the Senate, on or before the third of March next, shall cease and determine on that day.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That when the appointment of any such volunteer officer who shall be in the service on a foreign station shall not have been confirmed by said third of March, his office shall continue until after his arrival at some port in the United States.

TO THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Dec. 8.

PROPOSED INCREASE OF SOLDIERS' PAY.

The bill introduced by Representative VAN WYCK proposes a monthly addition of three dollars to privates and five to farriers, blacksmiths, musicians and non-commissioned officers. The law of 1861 adding two dollars per month applied only to privates, but this bill applies that increase also to non-commissioned officers and others. The same gentleman's bill for the immediate compensation for clothing lost in service, provides for the payment of the same on the next pay-rolls, making provisions for soldiers in hospitals and those discharged.

MORE TROOPS.

Representative HICKMAN'S bill, introduced to-day, authorizes the President to organize regiments of colored men, not exceeding one hundred in number, giving authority to uniform them in some distinctive manner and arm them, enlisting them for a term of seven years or less; the privates to receive $6 50 per month, and the same allowance for clothing and rations as white soldiers; non-commissioned officers to have the same pay as the same grades in the regular army; commissioned officers, either white or colored, to be graduates of colleges, and to receive twice the pay of the same rank in the infantry of the regular army, each company to be allowed a teacher or chaplain's clerk. The bill also provides for a line of steamers of not less than 1,500 tons, to run between New-York and Liberia, touching Norfolk and Port Royal, to carry such field-men, as desire to emigrate. It also gives the proceeds of confiscated rebel property to carry out the provisions of the bill.

THE MINERAL RESOURCES OF CALIFORNIA.

The bill of Senator LATHAM for the development of the mineral resources of California, directs the Commissioner of the Land office to continue his investigations instituted in relation to the mineral wealth of the country, its locality and extent, by means of surveys, correspondence, authorized explorations, practical and scientific experiments, the collection of specimens, new improvement in assaying metals, experimental tests of value, &c. He is also required to publish reports of such investigation.

THE FINANCES.

The following is the bill introduced to-day by Mr. STEVENS, from the Committee of Ways and Means:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled,

That the Secretary of the Treasury shall, as far as far as possible, redeem and call in the five-twenty bonds and all seven-thirty bonds which have been issued since the fourth of March, and cancel the same.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the Secretary of the Treasury shall redeem all United States tender notes which shall be held as a loan bearing interest, and the law authorizing such loan or deposit hereby repealed.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the law authorizing and requiring the payment of interest on United States bonds in gold, and which authorized the issuing of the five-twenty bonds are hereby repealed.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted* That in order to enable the Secretary of the Treasury to carry into effect the foregoing provisions, he is hereby authorized to issue $1,000,000,000, if so much be needed, of bonds of the United States, similar in amount and form to those authorized by the act entitled "an act to authorize the issue of United States notes, and for the redemption or funding thereof, and for funding the floating debt of the United States," approved Feb. 25th, 1862, with interest payable semi-annually in the lawful money of the United States, and the principle payable in twenty years, in gold or silver coin of the United States. Also, to issue legal tender notes of the United States, the amount not to exceed with those already authorized, five hundred millions.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That instead of the bonds hereby authorized to be redeemed, the Secretary of the Treasury be authorized to exchange in the bonds authorized by this act such terms as he may deem advantageous to the Government, or pay them in legal tender notes.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That all banks, savings and institutions, or persons who have authority to issue notes as a currency, shall pay a tax, to be assessed, as other taxes, of fifty per centum on all their circulation, which shall exceed one-half of their capital paid in; *Provided*, That this section shall not go into operation until ninety days after the passage of this act.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That whenever the Government requires more money than is hereby provided, the Secretary of the Treasury may sell any portion of the billion of bonds hereby authorized, at such prices as he may be able to obtain for the same.

THE TRIAL OF GEN. PORTER.

In the Court-martial in the case of Gen. FITZJOHN PORTER, Gen. PORTER was recalled by the Court, who put questions to him for information, explanatory of portions of his former testimony. The counsel for the accused asked permission to question him as to whether in case Gen. PORTER came upon the enemy's front in force and position, instead of upon his flank or rear, he would consider him justifiable in not attacking in obedience to the order to "attack his flank or rear," but the Court ruled out the question.

Capt. DALES DE RAY was examined with reference to the time at which Gen. PORTER obeyed the order of the 27th to march at 1 A. M., testifying that he moved at 4 A. M., and at moderate speed, and that he saw Gen. PORTER and his staff using great exertion to get out of the way the wagons which impeded the march of his troops.

THE M'DOWELL COURT OF INQUIRY.

In the McDowell Court of Inquiry to-day, Mr. BELA CLARK, of Fredericksburgh, was examined. His testimony was to show that Gen. MCDOWELL, when in command at Fredericksburgh, released a man named LITTLE, a lawyer there, who had been passing to and fro on horseback within the Union lines, playing the part of a spy for the rebels.

NAVAL ORDERS.

The following officers have been ordered to the steam sloop-of-war *Sacramento*: Lieut.-Commander CARPENTER, Lieut. RYAN. The following to the *Monongahela*: Capt. MCKINSTRY, Acting Master HASKINS.

TAX LAW ASSESSOR.

DANIEL H. MURRAY, of Ripley, Ohio, has been appointed Assessor of the Sixth District, under the TAX law.

ARMY MATTERS.

Brig.-Gens. MORE and HEINTZELMAN have been ordered to report for duty with the Army of the Potomac.

Capt. R. W. MITCHELL, Quartermaster of Volunteers, son of the late Gen. MITCHELL, has tendered his resignation, which has been accepted by the President.

CONSUL TO MARTINIQUE.

HERMAN ZABLITZKY, of Pennsylvania, has been nominated by the Senate as Consul to Martinique.

THE PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Dec. 8.

Messrs. FOSTER, of Connecticut, (Rep.,) SUMNER, of Massachusetts, (Rep.,) DIXON, of Connecticut, (Rep.,) LATHAM, of California, (Dem.,) FESSENDEN, of Maine, (Rep.,) GRIMES, of Iowa, (Rep.,) and KING, of New-York, (Rep.,) severally presented petitions in favor of a general bankrupt act.

Mr. WILSON, of Indiana, (Union,) presented a memorial from Gov. MORTON, of Indiana, praying for the increase of the pay of common soldiers. It was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. HALE, of New-Hampshire, (Rep.,) presented a petition protesting against the action of the Advisory Board of the Navy. He also gave notice that he should introduce a bill to abolish the grade of medical officers in the navy.

Mr. NESMITH, of Oregon, (Dem.,) offered a resolution instructing the Secretary of War to report to the Senate the number and rank of the Aid-de-Camps appointed under the act of August, 1861, and also the number and rank of those appointed drawing pay and not in active service. He said, according to his estimate, there were about 30 Colonels, 34 Lieutenant-Colonels, and 221 Captains; and there were drawing pay, and not in active service, about 20 Colonels, 5 Lieutenant-Colonels, 10 Majors, 50 Captains, drawing an aggregate pay of $12,230 per month, and $158,760 per annum. The country was full of them. He knew of one Colonel practising law, another running a saw-mill, another keeping a lager-bier shop, and many others campaigning about hotels and drawing money from the Treasury. The resolution was adopted.

Mr. WILSON, of Massachusetts, (Rep.,) offered a resolution instructing the Secretary of War to report to the Senate the number of Major-Generals and Brigadier-Generals now in the service of the United States, and where and how they are employed. Adopted.

Mr. WILSON, of Massachusetts, offered a resolution instructing the Committee on Military Affairs to inquire into the expediency of providing by law for the more effectual suppression of the rebellion, and securing tranquillity in the State of Maryland. Adopted.

Mr. SUMNER, of Massachusetts, (Rep.,) offered a resolution that the call upon the Secretary of War for the correspondence, &c., relating to the Army of the Potomac, be extended so as to embrace all operations since the first movement of that army. Adopted.

Mr. MCDOUGALL, of California, (Dem.,) offered a resolution insuructing the Secretary of the Navy to inform the Senate whether any Congressional District of the United States has more than two midshipmen in the Naval Academy; if so, by what authority or what law they were thus appointed. Adopted.

Mr. FOSTER, of Connecticut, (Rep.,) offered a joint resolution to pay the widow of the late JOHN R. THOMPSON the amount due him as Senator.

Mr. LATHAM, of California, (Dem.,) introduced a bill to provide for the development of the mineral resources of the United States and public domain. Referred.

Mr. SAULSBURY, of Delaware, (Dem.,) called up the resolution relating to the arrest of certain citizens of Delaware.

Mr. WILSON, of Massachusetts, objected to the resolution. He said there might have been some mistake in these arrests, but there were many more who ought to have been arrested than those who really have been.

Mr. HAYARD, of Delaware, (Dem.,) thought that this Government was especially valuable from its protection to citizens. In no other free Government was the citizen liable to arrest at the discretion of any and every officer. He urged the adoption of the resolution at some length.

Mr. DOOLITTLE, of Wisconsin, (Rep.,) said that he understood that in all these cases of arrest, the offer of liberty had been made if the persons arrested would take the oath of allegiance. One had refused. There had been complaint that the Government had been too lenient, and that many who had been simply imprisoned had not been hung or shot. He would like to have the resolution lay over.

Mr. SAULSBURY said he had referred to these two persons because he had never heard any charges against them. They had been arrested in a loyal State, and for no offence whatever. Peaceable citizens in Delaware and Maryland had been arrested and dragged from their homes, and he thought they had at least a right to inquire into the matter. There was no disposition to oppose the Government at all.

After further discussion, the Chair announced the special order to be the Bankrupt act, which was informally laid aside.

Mr. FESSENDEN, of Maine, (Rep.,) from the Committee on Finance, reported a bill concerning the judgments in certain suits brought by the United States, which was amended and passed.

Mr. DAVIS, of Kentucky, (Union,) offered a joint resolution, proposing certain amendments to the Constitution, to alter the mode of electing the President and Vice-President; that the President and and Vice-President be elected in the following manner: Each State may, within thirty days next before the time appointed for the election of the President, in any mode adopted by the State, nominate to Congress one candidate; and on the first Monday of February next before the expiration of each Presidential term, the two Houses of Congress shall meet together as a Convention in the hall of the House of Representatives; and all the candidates nominated by the States within the preceding thirty days, not exceeding one from each State, whose nominations shall have been authenticated to Congress, shall be before said Convention as candidates for the Presidency; and, thereupon said Convention shall proceed, under the supervision of the presiding officers of the two Houses, to vote by open ballot from among said candidates for President, and when any one shall have received a majority of votes equal to all the members elected and appointed by both Houses of Congress, he shall be declared, by the President of the Senate, to be elected President of the United States. In all cases where balloting shall have continued in this mode through five days, and no election shall have been effected, on the sixth day it shall be resumed, and after each ballot the officers presiding shall drop the candidate who has received the smallest number of votes, or two or more candidates who have received an equal number of votes and less than all the others; and the balloting shall be so continued among the remaining candidates until one shall receive the majority aforesaid; and thereupon the President of the Senate shall announce him to be elected President of the United States. The Convention shall then proceed in the same manner, from among the remaining candidates, to elect a Vice-President of the United States. Whenever it may occur in the voting for President or Vice-President that all the candidates but two have been dropped, balloting between them may, if necessary to make an election, continue two days longer, and if then no candidate shall have received the required number of votes, the officers presiding over the Convention shall report the state of facts to the Supreme Court of the United States, and it shall thereupon pronounce which of the two candidates shall fill the office.

The resolution was ordered to be printed.

The Chair laid before the Senate a communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, in answer to the resolution calling for the amounts paid for the prosecution and litigation of land claims in California.

Mr. ANTHONY, of Rhode Island, (Rep.,) offered a joint resolution increasing the bonds of the Superintendent of Public Printing to $40,000.

The Bankrupt bill was then taken up and read at length, and, on motion of Mr. FESSEN, was postponed until Thursday, 18th inst., and made the special order for that day.

On motion of Mr. SUMNER, the Senate went into Executive Session, after which it adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Dec. 8.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Mr. MCPHERSON, of Pennsylvania, (Rep.,) to fill the vacancy in the Committee on Military Affairs, in the place of Mr. BLAIR, of Missouri, and Mr. TRACEY on the same Committee, in the place of Mr. JARVIS, deceased.

Messrs. FRYEBURN, of Maine, (Rep.,) and WALKER, of Kansas, (Rep.,) were appointed to fill vacancies on the Committee on Private Land Claims.

The other standing Committees continue as heretofore.

The Speaker appointed the following gentlemen as a Special Committee to investigate the charge derogatory to the character and standing of Representative ARNEY, as published in the Toledo *Blade* and other papers, viz.: Messrs. Blake of Ohio, (Rep.,) Shanks of Indiana, (Rep.,) Noel of Missouri, (Union,) Casey of Kentucky, (Union,) Haight of New-York, (Dem.)

On motion of Mr. EDWARDS, of New-Hampshire, (Rep.,) it was resolved that the Committee on Indian Affairs be instructed to inquire whether any further legislation is necessary in relation to the Indian funds held by the Government, and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. ROSCOE CONKLING, of New-York, (Rep.,) the President was requested, if in his opinion it was not incompatible with the public interests, to transmit to the House the last official report of *Maj.-Gen. BUELL*.

Mr. VAN WYCK, of New-York, (Rep.,) introduced a bill to provide for the immediate payment of clothing lost in service by soldiers of the United States army; also a bill increasing the pay of privates, non-commissioned officers, and musicians.

Both bills were referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. STEVENS, of Pennsylvania, (Rep.,) introduced a bill to indemnify President LINCOLN and other persons, for suspending the privilege of the writ of *habeas corpus*, and for all acts done in pursuance thereof.

The bill is the same as that offered last week, the substance of which has already been published.

Mr. VALLANDIGHAM, of Ohio, (Dem.,) objected to the reading of the bill a second time.

Therefore, under the rule, the question occurred; "Shall the bill be rejected?"

The House refused to reject it by a vote of 94 against 60.

The bill was then read a second time.

Mr. STEVENS of Pennsylvania, (Rep.,) then moved to postpone the further consideration of the bill till next Thursday, and make it the special order for that day.

Mr. VALLANDIGHAM objected to making the bill a special order.

Mr. COX of Ohio, (Dem.,) desired to refer the bill to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. STEVENS then asked that the bill should be put on its passage.

The main question was ordered by a vote of 83 against 67.

Mr. OLIN, of New-York, (Rep.,) expressed surprise that any objection should be made to the postponement of the bill when an opportunity for its discussion could be afforded. If postponed until Thursday it could be examined with the care and wisdom which the House should bring to bear upon the subject. What he objected to especially was that a measure of such great importance, and upon which there was a diversity of opinion, should be hurriedly thrust through the House. The President had authority by law to exercise all the power he had exercised with regard to the writ of *habeas corpus*. He concurred with the gentleman from Pennsylvania, (Mr. STEVENS) that a bill of this character was proper. But while he thus concurred, he should regret to see the bill hurried through the House without probably ten members knowing its legal provisions. It was discreditable to the House and country, and he should feel ashamed to return to his constituents and say that Congress had passed an act without permitting a word, yea or nay, to be said on the subject. He hoped, for the credit of the House and country, the matter would be postponed. For himself he was ready to meet the question at any time.

Mr. VALLANDIGHAM said he had objected only to the bill being made the special order.

Mr. OLIN replied: I did not say you had made any other objection.

Mr. COLFAX, of Indiana, (Rep.,) differed from Mr. OLIN. He did not think that the immediate passage of the bill would be discreditable to the House. Instead of this, it would be creditable. This question had been discussed all over the land as to whether the President had power to suspend the privileges of the writ of *habeas corpus* during the rebellion. He stood ready to vote for the bill to indemnify him. He hoped that it would pass at once.

Mr. STEVENS was about addressing the House on the subject when Mr. VALLANDIGHAM raised the question that Mr. STEVENS had no right, under the rules, to do so.

Mr. STEVENS asked for three minutes to explain.

Mr. VALLANDIGHAM objected, unless others should have a similar privilege.

Mr. HOLMAN, of Indiana, (Rep.,) moved to lay the bill on the table.

Not carried—46 against 86.

Mr. STEVENS remarked that it had not been his intention to put the bill on its passage at the time he introduced it. He had asked its postponement until Thursday, and that it be made a special order. Gentlemen who knew enough of the bill seemed unanimously determined to make it a special order. He presumed that they thought that no time was necessary to examine its provisions in order to a correct understanding of them. Still, feeling as the gentleman from New-York (Mr. OLIN) did, that it would look better to have a few days to examine the bill, he was willing to afford time for that purpose. But being prevented by gentlemen on the other side, he had made up his mind that the bill should not fail by any such objection as had been interposed. He would demand the previous question and adhere to it. He would not have said anything in relation to the contents of the bill, had he not seen it stated in some newspapers that the bill assumed to indemnify everybody, who during the time of the suspension of the privilege of the writ of *habeas corpus* has presumed to make an arrest in the name of the Government. The bill has no such absurd provision. It provided that the President, Cabinet, and those who have made arrests during the rebellion, by virtue of their authority, shall be indemnified. It went no further.

Mr. THOMAS, of Massachusetts, (Union,) was understood to say that he did not object to the bill because it would indemnify the President, but as it now stood it left those who were unjustly and illegally imprisoned without remedy.

Mr. COX, of Ohio, (Dem.,) remarked that it would be eminently proper for the gentleman from Pennsylvania to withdraw the demand for the previous question, and instead of having the bill passed in indecent haste, send it to the Committee of the Judiciary for examination.

Mr. STEVENS expressed his thanks to the gentleman from Ohio for his advice; but he had become so provoked at the conduct of the gentlemen on the other side that he did not receive it with kindness.

Mr. COX rejoined that the provocation was by the action of the people during the late elections.

Mr. STEVENS resuming, said that the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. THOMAS,) would find, on examination, that he had drawn his bill precisely according to English precedent, and had used precisely the language of the indemnity bills of the two last centuries passed by the British Parliament, with the exception of confessing the illegality of the acts of the President in the premises. He had not confessed such illegality for the reason that the Attorney-General and the Administration held that the President, without such a bill as this, had full authority to exercise the power. Such acts, therefore, are not a remedy for anybody. A remedy existed only where there was a wrong. If the President had the right to suspend the privileges of the writ of *habeas corpus*, and under such suspension arrests took place, this bill could do no harm. He, however, opposed that there should be upon the statute book the declaration by act of Congress that the President in council, the head of Army or Navy, could exercise despotic power, when Congress was not in session; for Congress was the sovereign power, not the President.

Mr. ALLEN, of Illinois, (Dem.,) asked whether in the event of the bill being postponed until Thursday, discussion would then be allowed or stifled.

Mr. STEVENS replied that if the bill had been postponed there was no intension to call the previous question. The object of the motion was to allow discussion; but that privilege was not permitted. The friends of the bill were compelled to take the bill now. He did not choose to put the bill in the power of its enemies and the enemies of the Administration. He repeated that he had carefully copied the bill from the precedents of the English Parliament. He had not added a word except what was rendered necessary by the present circumstances of the country. Whether the Attorney-General and other gentlemen were right or not, this bill confessed nothing additional, and could do no harm. If the President had not the power to suspend the privilege of the writ, he should now be indemnified for doing so at the time of our extremest peril, and when traitors were found in every household and township North and South.

The bill was then passed, under the operation of the previous question, by a vote of 90 against 55, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Aldrich, Alley, Arnold, Ashley, Babbitt, Baker, Baxter, Bingham, Blair of Virginia, Blair of Pennsylvania, Blake, Brown of Virginia, Buffinton, Burnham, Campbell, Casey, Chamberlain, Clark, Colfax, Frederick A. Conkling, Roscoe Conkling, Cutler, Davis, Delaus, Duell, Dunn, Edgerton, Edwards, Elliot, Ely, Fenton, Samuel C. Fessenden, Thos. A. D. Fessenden, Franchot, Frank, Gurley, Hall, Harrison, Hickman, Hooper, Horton, Hutchins, Julian, Kelley, Kellogg of Michigan, Kellogg of Illinois, Lansing, Lovejoy, Low, McKnight, Morehead, Morrill of Maine, Morrill of Vermont, Nixon, Noell, Olin, Patton, Pike, Pomeroy, Porter, Potter, Rice of Massachusetts, Rice of Maine, Riddle, Rollins of New-Hampshire, Sargent, Sedgwick, Shanks, Shellabarger, Sherman, Sloan, Spaulding, Stevens, Stratton, Train, Trimble, Trowbridge, Van Horn, Van Valkenburg, Walker, Wall, Wallace, Washburne, Wheeler, White of Indiana, Wilson, Windom, Worcester—90.

NAYS—Messrs. Allen of Illinois, Ancona, Bailey of Pennsylvania, Clemens, Cobb, Conway, Cox, Creswell, Crisfield, Crittenden, Dunlap, English, Fouke, Goodwin, Granger, Grider, Harding, Holman, Johnson, Knapp, Law, Lazear, Mallory, Menzies, Morris, Noble, Norton, Pendleton, Price, Richardson, Robinson of Illinois, Sheffield, Shiel, Smith, Steele of New-York, Steele of New-Jersey, Stiles, Thomas of Massachusetts, Vallandigham, Voorhees, White of Ohio, Wickliffe, Woodruff, Wright, Yeaman.

Mr. CLARK, from the Printing Committee, reported a resolution, which was adopted, that 10,000 copies of the Report of the Secretary of the Treasury be printed.

Mr. WICKLIFFE offered a resolution, which was adopted, instructing the Committee of Ways and Means, to inquire into the expediency of amending the direct TAX law, so as to repeal the clause requiring manufacturers of spirits, beer and porter to make certain returns, &c.

Mr. STEVENS, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported a bill empowering Collectors, Assistant Collectors Assessors, and Assistant Assessors, under the TAX law, to administer the oath, &c.

Mr. HICKMAN introduced a bill for the suppression of rebel treason and insurrection, and for other purposes, which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Messrs. BROWN, of Virginia, and BLAIR, of Virginia, severally presented memorials, numerously signed, asking for the admission of the State of West Virginia into the Union.

Mr. STEVENS, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported a bill providing a revenue for the support of the Government, which was ordered to be printed and recommitted.

Mr. WRIGHT submitted a resolution declaring the rebellion in the seceded States against the Government, the laws and the Union was deliberately waged without reasonable cause, the contract being perpetual, and no State having the constitutional power forcibly to secede; that it is the duty of the Government to put down the rebellion, &c.

Mr. LOVEJOY moved to table it. Not carried, 43 against 69.

Its consideration was postponed until Tuesday week.

On motion of Mr. MCKNIGHT, of Pennsylvania, (Rep.,) the Committee of Ways and Means was instructed to inquire into the expediency of modifying the TAX law, so as to dispense with the tax law on advertisements.

Mr. MORRIS, of Pennsylvania, (Rep.,) offered resolutions, which were adopted amid laughter, instructing the Committee on Ways and Means to inquire into the expediency of amending the tax law so as to require every member of Congress, offering a resolution, to affix a ten-cent stamp.

Mr. WICKLIFFE introduced a bill to protect and grant relief and protection to the loyal States whose property and slaves have been wrongfully taken, seized and abstracted by officers and soldiers of the United States. He moved that the bill be referred to a Special Committee. He had proposed to gather the evidence in such cases. Not only soldiers, but railroad employees and others, had abducted negroes from their masters, and Colonels refused at the point of the bayonet to return them. He spoke of negroes being brought to Louisville by BUELL'S army, and of their being detained for jail fees. It was his desire to apply a remedy.

Mr. LOVEJOY expressed his surprise that when the life of the nation was flickering in the socket, the gentleman brought in the negro—negro. He (LOVEJOY) would aid in no legislation by which to return those who escaped from the lash of despotism. The remarks of the gentleman reminded him of PATRICK HENRY'S story of JOHN TOOK running through the army, crying "Beef! beef!" (Laughter.) Now, when the death-rattle of a nation is heard, the gentleman exclaims "Negro! negro!" As for himself, he expected to pay loyal slaveholders who emancipated their slaves.

The bill was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. MENZIES, of Kentucky, (Union,) the Committee on Claims were instructed to ascertain and adjust the damages resulting from the naval and military operations in Kentucky since the 1st of February, 1861.

On motion of Mr. STEVENS, the House went into Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union, with Mr. DAWES in the Chair, upon the President's Message.

Mr. STEVENS offered resolutions referring its different branches to the appropriate Committees; when—

Mr. RICHARDSON of Illinois, (Dem.,) proceeded to review the Message, observing that it was remarkable for what it said and still more remarkable for what it omitted. The one-half of the 21 pages was devoted to the negro. There was no page, no sentence, no line as to the bravery and good conduct of those in the field fighting. No mention of the Union and Constitution of the Union. No sorrow was expressed for the lamented dead. No mention was made of the maimed and wounded. No sympathy was expressed for the widow or the suffering orphan, made in the progress of this war, which could have been avoided by honorable compromise, if the President and his friends had desired to avoid civil war. The sum and substance of the Message was, tax the white man, mortgage him and his posterity forever. Free, feed, clothe and colonize the negro. When our people, anxious for the restoration of the Union and the return of peace, looked to the Message to see what information they could get upon that subject they could only draw the inference that the war would end in thirty-seven years, provided all the President's plans were adopted by Congress and the people. But then the President gave us the consolation that most of us would be dead by that time. Every proposed change of the Constitution was for the negro. No proposition was made to change the Constitution for the benefit of the white man or to perpetuate the Union of these States by preserving the Constitution of the country. The people would in due time compromise for the benefit of white men, not for negroes. He had hoped that the President would so conduct himself that he might succeed to him his support; but he had hoped against hope. The President had violated the pledges he had made in his Inaugural address, by his proclamation of the 22d of September. The effect of the proclamation was not to restore the Union, but only to free the negro. Reviewing military events, Mr. RICHARDSON vindicated MCCLELLAN, saying that he was removed, not because of his incompetency as a leader, but because he refused to indorse the Emancipation Proclamation. The Republicans had been running the House and the Department of the Government for the benefit of the negro. Speaking in condemnation of the bill passed to-day indemnifying the President and others from the consequences of suspending the privilege of the writ of *habeas corpus*, he said the Courts would not sanction this reckless and tyrannical exercise of power. The dominant party he charged had violated the Constitution and laws.

Mr. RUTHERFORD, of Ohio, (Rep.,) obtained the floor.

The Committee rose at 4½ o'clock, and the House adjourned.

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NEW-YORK.....MONDAY, Dec. 8.

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U. S. steam transport Montauk, Stevens, Beaufort, N. C., Dec. 3, via Holmes' Hole 24 hours, with 11 steerage passengers to U. S. Assistant Quartermaster. Off mouth of Beaufort, saw brig Thomas Owen, ashore. W. f. some time, saw a bark ashore. W., showing a white burgee, with name in it; could not distinguish the name.

U. S. steam transport Mississippi, Baxter, Beaufort, N. C., Dec. 3, via Holmes' Hole 24 hours, with passengers to U. S. Assistant Quartermaster.

U. S. steam transport Pinapsco, Reeves, Washington, D. C., 24 hours, to U. S. Assistant Quartermaster.

U. S. Hospital transport Daniel Webster, S. H. Chester commanding, Alexandria, Va., Dec. 6, 40 V. A. M., with 331 sick and wounded soldiers.

Steamer Ironsides, Vandivere, Philadelphia, with mdse. to Loper & Kirkpatrick.

Steamer Franklin, Young, Baltimore, with mdse. to Wm. Daleell.

Steamer Five Brigs, Fenton, Philadelphia, with mdse. to J. & N. Briggs.

Steamer Ithaca, Williams, Philadelphia, with mdse. to J. & N. Briggs.

Ship D'Israeli, (Br., of New-Glasgow, N. S.) Mollison, Picton 16 ds., with coal to McColl & Fritz.

Brig Abbott Lawrence, Fuller, 6 ds., with coal to Spofford, Tileston & Co.

Brig New-York, Cooper, Boston 6 ds., with mdse. to master—to ashore at Hell Gate.

Brig Henry Leeds, Smith, Rockland, with lime.

Schr. Asenion, (Br.,) Nugent, Cornwallis 12 ds., with pot